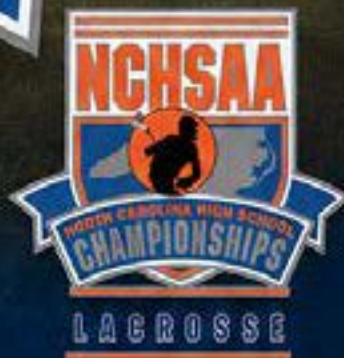
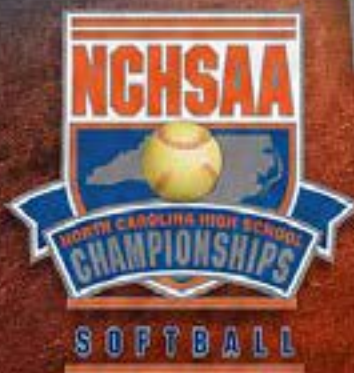


NORTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

# CHAMPIONSHIP WEEK



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**2026**

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# NCHSAA Spring Championship Week

CHAPEL HILL – The North Carolina High School Athletic Association has finalized the schedule for this week's spring sports championships. The schedules for the Baseball, Softball, Women's Soccer and Lacrosse Championships are listed below.

## **Baseball Championships**

*Wednesday, May 27, 2026*

Burlington Athletic Park:

5:00 p.m. 2A Cherryville vs. Rosewood

8:00 p.m. 5A North Lincoln vs. Seaforth

North Main Athletic Complex (Holly Springs):

5:00 p.m. 4A Bunn vs. Burns

8:00 p.m. 3A East Rutherford vs. Whiteville

*Thursday, May 28, 2026*

Burlington Athletic Park:

11:00 a.m. 2A Game 2

2:00 p.m. 5A Game 2

5:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

8:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

North Main Athletic Complex (Holly Springs):

11:00 a.m. 4A Game 2

2:00 p.m. 3A Game 2

5:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

8:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

*Friday, May 29, 2026*

Burlington Athletic Park:

5:00 p.m. 7A Marvin Ridge vs. Holly Springs

8:00 p.m. 6A Southern Lee vs. South Caldwell

North Main Athletic Complex (Holly Springs):

5:00 p.m. 1A NC Leadership vs. Bear Grass Charter

8:00 p.m. 8A Corinth Holders vs. Providence

*Saturday, May 30, 2026*

Burlington Athletic Park:

11:00 a.m. 7A Game 2

2:00 p.m. 6A Game 2

5:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

8:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

North Main Athletic Complex (Holly Springs):

11:00 a.m. 1A Game 2

2:00 p.m. 8A Game 2

5:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

8:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

## **Softball Championships**

*Wednesday, May 27, 2026*

UNCG:

5:00 p.m. 7A: D.H. Conley vs. Weddington

7:30 p.m. 8A: Corinth Holders vs. Providence

Duke:

4:00 p.m. 2A: North Duplin vs. Roxboro Community

6:00 p.m. 5A: West Carteret vs. Enka

*Thursday, May 28, 2026*

UNCG:

11:00 a.m. 7A Game 2

2:00 p.m. 8A Game 2

5:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

8:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

Duke:

11:00 a.m. 2A Game 2

2:00 p.m. 5A Game 2

5:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

8:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

*Friday, May 29, 2026*

UNCG:

5:00 p.m. 4A: SW Randolph vs. West Stanly

7:30 p.m. 3A: McMichael vs. West Wilkes

Duke:

4:00 p.m. 1A: Bear Grass Charter vs. Robbinsville

6:00 p.m. 6A: Union Pines vs. South Caldwell

*Saturday, May 30, 2026*

UNCG:

11:00 a.m. 4A Game 2

2:00 p.m. 3A Game 2

5:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

8:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

# NCHSAA Spring Championship Week

Duke:

11:00 a.m. 1A Game 2

2:00 p.m. 6A Game 2

5:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

8:00 p.m. (Game 3 If Necessary)

## Women's Soccer Championships

Durham County Memorial Stadium

*Thursday, May 28, 2026*

3:30 p.m. 1A: Woods Charter vs. Summit Charter

7 p.m. 8A Hoggard vs. Myers Park

*Friday, May 29, 2026*

1:00 p.m. 2A Championship

4:30 p.m. 6A Championship

7:30 p.m. 5A Championship

*Saturday, May 30, 2026*

11:00 a.m. 3A Championship

2:30 p.m. 4A Championship

6:00 p.m. 7A Championship

## Lacrosse Championships

Lenoir-Rhyne University

*Friday, May 29, 2026*

11:00 a.m. 8A Women

2:00 p.m. 8A Men

5:00 p.m. 1A-6A Women

8:00 p.m. 1A-6A Men

*Saturday, May 30, 2026*

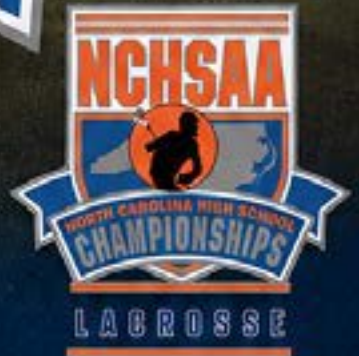
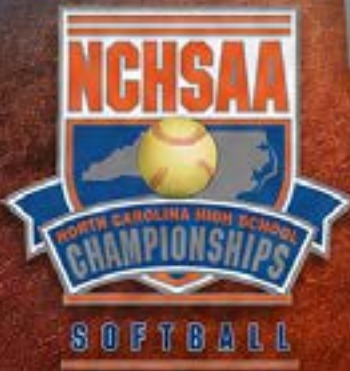
10:00 a.m. 7A Women

1:00 p.m. 7A Men



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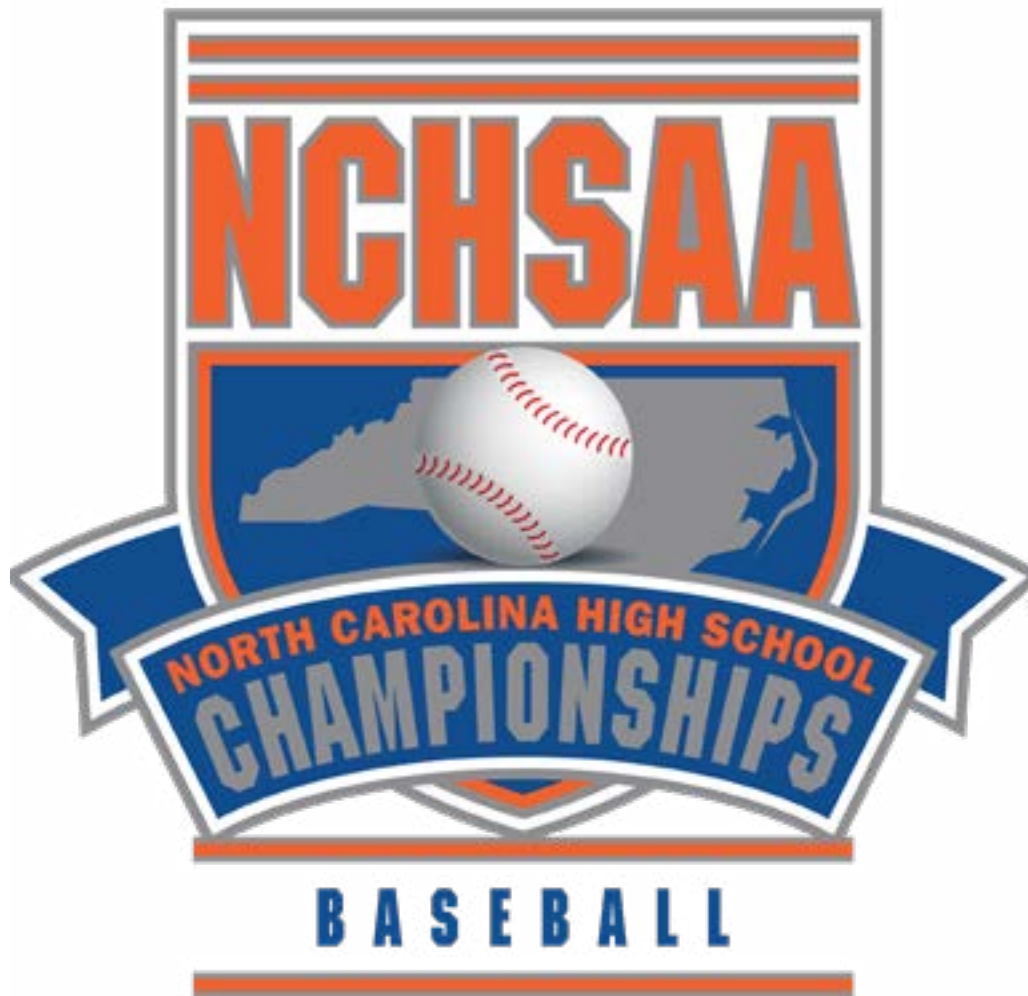
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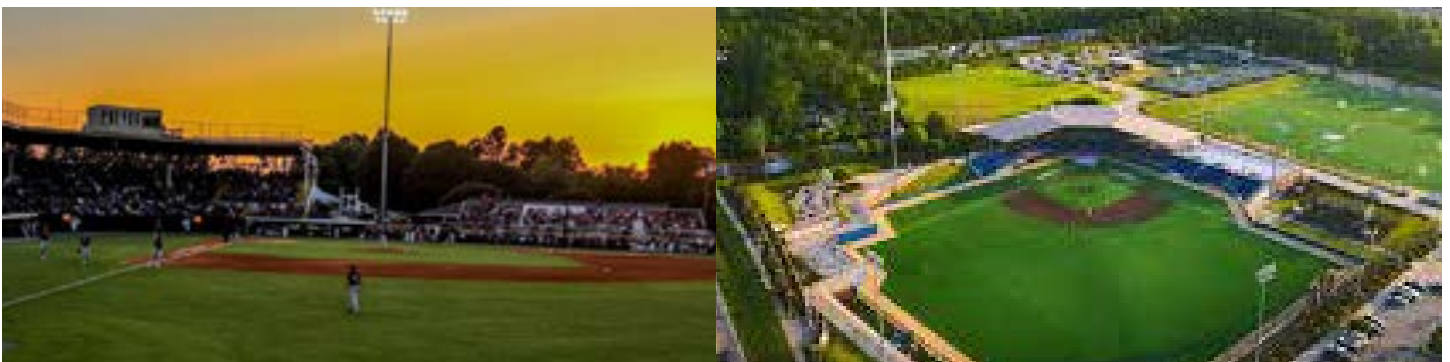
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2026 NCHSAA Baseball Championship Series Participants



# 1A West Champion: NC Leadership

North Carolina Leadership Academy Falcons

Head Coach: David Sellers

Assistants: Rick Cook

Trainer: Zachary Ham

Athletic Director: Stephanie McCormick

Principal: Renee Fanza

Record: 21-2 (8-0)

Expected Starters

P James Reynolds, P Brayden Hatfield, P Dillon Earnhardt.

Pronunciation Guide:

N/A

Players to watch/College Commitments:

Hank Gasto GTCC. Jafet Rodriguez (jr). Trent Bryant.(soph). Brayden Hatfield (sr). James Reynolds (jr)

Roster

| Jersey | First   | Last      | Yr. | Pos. 1 | Pos. 2 |
|--------|---------|-----------|-----|--------|--------|
| 1      | Dillon  | Ketron    | 10  | P      | UTIL   |
| 2      | Nate    | Pizarro   | 11  | P      | RF     |
| 3      | Hank    | Gaston    | 12  | C      | P      |
| 4      | Clay    | Smith     | 12  | CF     | P      |
| 5      | Brayden | Lapole    | 9   | P      | OF     |
| 6      | Eli     | Gaston    | 9   | C      | INF    |
| 7      | Brayden | Hatfield  | 12  | P      | 2B     |
| 8      | Dylan   | Earnhardt | 10  | P      | 1B     |
| 9      | Tyler   | Goodwin   | 9   | OF     |        |
| 10     | Jafet   | Rodriguez | 11  | SS     | P      |
| 20     | Zalyn   | Stanley   | 10  | OF     | INF    |
| 21     | Trent   | Bryant    | 10  | C      | P      |
| 22     | James   | Reynolds  | 11  | P      | 3B     |
| 25     | Gabe    | Bottoms   | 9   | OF     | DH     |

Key Stats/Things to Know:

19 straight wins. Consistent pitching., quality at bats. And solid defense

Key to the season:

Believe in each other.

Most galvanizing moment of the season:

Bottom of 7th 3 run comeback win. Against conf. Rival Bethany Community



# 1A East Champion: Bear Grass Charter

Head Coach: Terry Perry  
 Assistants: David Blend, Hunter Cook, Drew Hayes  
 Athletic Director: David Blend  
 Principal: Patricia Speller  
 Non-Player Bench Personnel: Brayden Taylor, Delmas Cumbee, Ginger Moore  
 Record: 23-5 (10-0)

Expected Starters:  
 P, 3B, 1B #7 Ty Scott, 3B, P #10 Coby Beck, SS #8 Eason Taylor, 2B #6 Home, #2 Away, Jamison Stalls, 1B #14 Gavin Wynne, C #11 Hunter Best, LF #3 Brayden Perry, CF #1 Jamison Moore, RF P #16 Home #6 Away Kagan Haltigan

Players to watch:  
 Conference player of the year Eason Taylor and conference pitcher of the year Coby Beck. First team or Second team all conference in all positions for the infield and outfield.

Key stats, things to know  
 Eason Taylor is ranked 5 in 1A with a .540 Batting Average and ranked 4 in 1A with a .635 OBP. The key pitchers Ty Scott, Kagan Haltigan, Coby Beck, and Bret Clark have an average ERA of 2.08. Catcher Hunter Best is ranked 2 in 1A in caught stealing percentage for base-runners trying to steal.

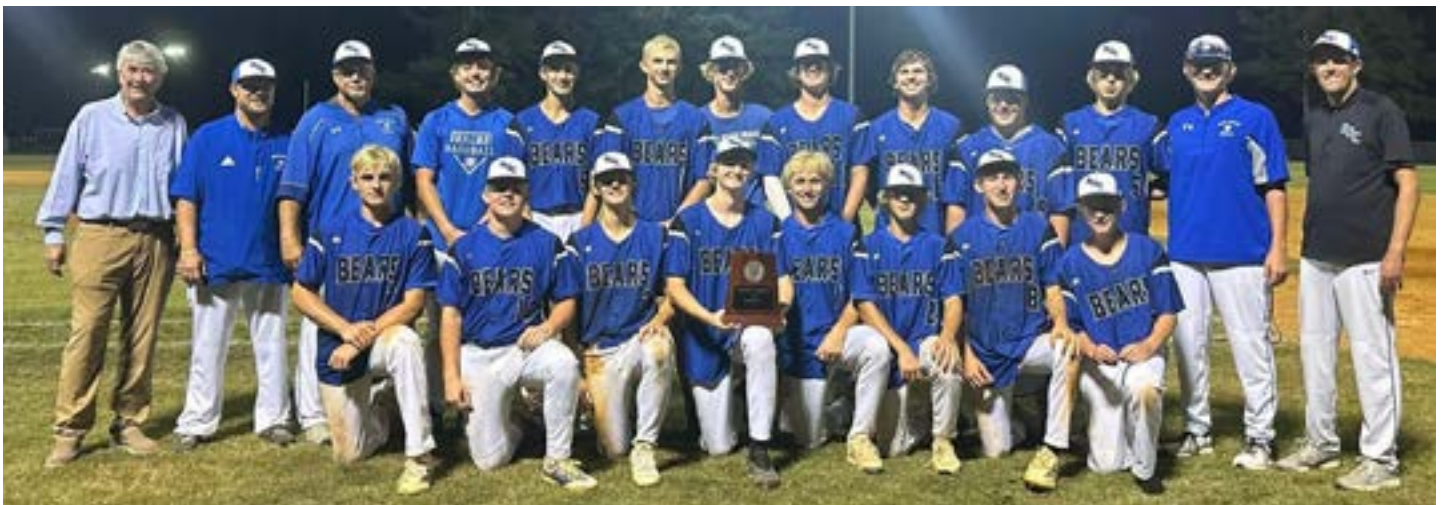
Keys to success this season  
 The 3 or 4 pitchers that have been utilized in many games as a unit combined with being backed solid infield and outfield performances has been a formula for success along with a catcher that shown the ability to play behind the plate. By maintain a solid defense when the hitting has started to do well the team has been successful in all phases of the game. The team also has been able to scrap runs through getting base runners with bunting,

## Roster

| Jersey | First    | Last     | Yr. | Pos.1 | Pos 2 |
|--------|----------|----------|-----|-------|-------|
| 1      | Jamison  | Moore    | 12  | CF    |       |
| 3      | Brayden  | Perry    | 12  | LF    |       |
| 4      | Levi     | Hagan    | 10  | CF    |       |
| 7      | Ty       | Scott    | 12  | RHP   | 3B    |
| 8      | Eason    | Taylor   | 10  | SS    |       |
| 9      | Brett    | Clark    | 12  | RHP   | 1B    |
| 10     | Coby     | Beck     | 11  | RHP   | 3B    |
| 11     | Hunter   | Best     | 11  | C     | SS    |
| 13     | Ryan     | Martin   | 11  | RF    | LF    |
| 14     | Gavin    | Wynne    | 10  | 1B    |       |
| 16     | Kagan    | Haltigan | 11  | LHP   | RF    |
| 17     | Jonathan | Leary    | 10  | C     |       |
| 19     | Justin   | West     | 12  | RF    | LF    |
| (5) 20 | Thayer   | Coltrain | 10  | RHP   | 2B    |
| 23     | Caleb    | Wynne    | 9   | CF    | SS    |
| (2) 6  | Jamison  | Stalls   | 9   | RHP   | 2B    |

good quality at bats, walks, or hit by pitches. When scraping runs and holding with solid defense performances the team has been successful.

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season  
 This season has been a Cinderella Story as the team had lost a lot of Seniors and other players and was expected to not perform at the top of the conference or go deep in the playoffs. The team has exceeded and with some quality wins against some quality opponents. A big turning point in the season was the First Flight away game on April 15. Prior to that point the team had won and lost some close games against 2A and 6A opponents. The momentum continues from April 15 into the playoffs and a moment came when the team had to overcome being down by 2 runs to Hobgood Charter in the 2nd round and being down by 2 run to East Columbus in Game 1 of the Eastern Regional Finals. The willingness to compete was tested and the team overcame adversity during the playoffs.



\*Coltrain wears #5 away and #20 at home, Stalls wears #2 away and #6 home.

# 2A West Champion: Cherryville Ironmen

Head Coach: Scott Heavner

Assistant Coaches: Seth Freeman, Austin Treadway,  
Michael Whitesides, Brian Kiser, Jeff Williams

Athletic Director: Matt Powers

Principal: Mitch Allen

Non-Player Bench Personnel: Ashley Marshall, LeRoy  
Montgomery, Ty Heavner, Millicent Heavner

Record: 24-4 (13-3)

Expected Starters:

CF 4 Kenan Fowler (JR) SS 1 Talon Dalton (SR) P/INF

9 Brock Bumgardner (JR) C 6 Chandler Wooten (JR)

LF 2 Parker Anderson (JR) 3B 5 Davin Digh (SR) 2B/P

3 Aaron Heavner (SR) 1B 14 Canon Whitesides (Soph)

RF 11 Bryson Withers (SR) P 12 Camden Williams (SR)

Pronunciation Guide:

N/A

Keys to success this season:

Veteran team who played in a tough conference and  
played a loaded Non Conference schedule.

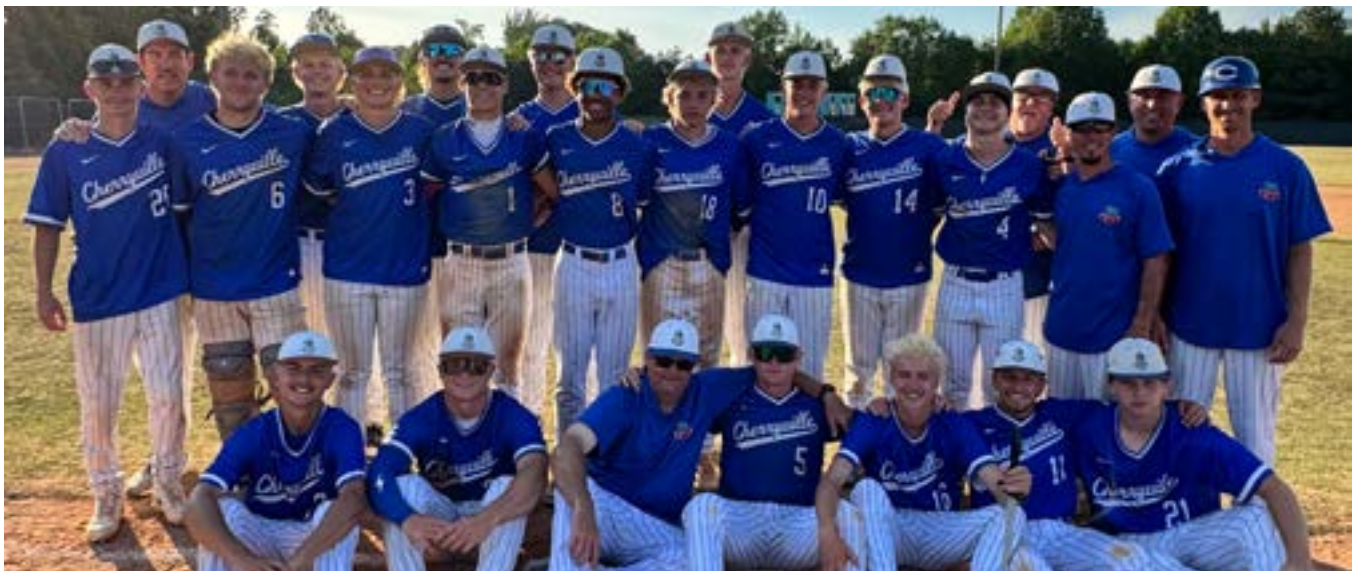
Most galvanizing game/moment of the season:

Probably the 2 losses to Burns coming off Spring Break.

Helped us to refocus and not to take things for granted.

Cherryville Roster

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name  | Yr. |
|--------|------------|------------|-----|
| 1      | Talon      | Dalton     | 12  |
| 2      | Parker     | Anderson   | 11  |
| 3      | Aaron      | Heavner    | 12  |
| 4      | Kenan      | Fowler     | 11  |
| 5      | Davin      | Digh       | 12  |
| 6      | Chandler   | Wooten     | 11  |
| 9      | Brock      | Bumgardner | 11  |
| 10     | Karter     | Willis     | 10  |
| 11     | Bryson     | Withers    | 12  |
| 12     | Camden     | Williams   | 12  |
| 13     | Bryson     | Lamacchia  | 11  |
| 14     | Canon      | Whitesides | 10  |
| 15     | Maddox     | Carrigan   | 9   |
| 16     | Colton     | Robinson   | 12  |
| 17     | Curtis     | Kester     | 9   |
| 18     | Jayden     | Adams      | 10  |
| 18     | Ethan      | Johnsen    | 9   |
| 20     | Bryson     | Yarbro     | 9   |
| 21     | Lincoln    | Bane       | 9   |



## 2A East Champion: Rosewood Eagles

Head Coach: Jason King  
 Assistants: Heath Whitfield, Justin Lee, Brian Massey  
 Athletic Director: Jason King  
 Principal: Ken Angel  
 Manager - Michael Schriver,  
 Stats - Josh Smith, Jeremy Repka, Steve Smith  
 Record: 23-5 (9-3)

### Expected Starters:

#6 Robbie Boren - Pitcher  
 #2 Jack Adams - Second Base  
 #12 Braxson Waters - First Base  
 #5 Ed Gardner - Shortstop  
 #11 Kaeden Hinson - Third Base  
 #3 Jacob Bond - Catcher  
 #4 Graham Lassiter - CF  
 #8 Cuyler Jones - RF  
 #1 Camden Rye - DH/P/OF  
 #9 Connor Smith - OF  
 #16 Jose Peralta Yero - OF

### Pronunciation Guide:

Cuyler = "Kyler"

### Players to watch:

Robbie Boren - Undecided, schools interested (Coker, Carteret CC, Lenoir CC, Robeson CC), Jack Adams - Lenoir CC, Ed Gardner - Lenoir CC, Jacob Bond - Carteret CC

Key Stats: We have 9 seniors on the team, most have been playing together since they were little.

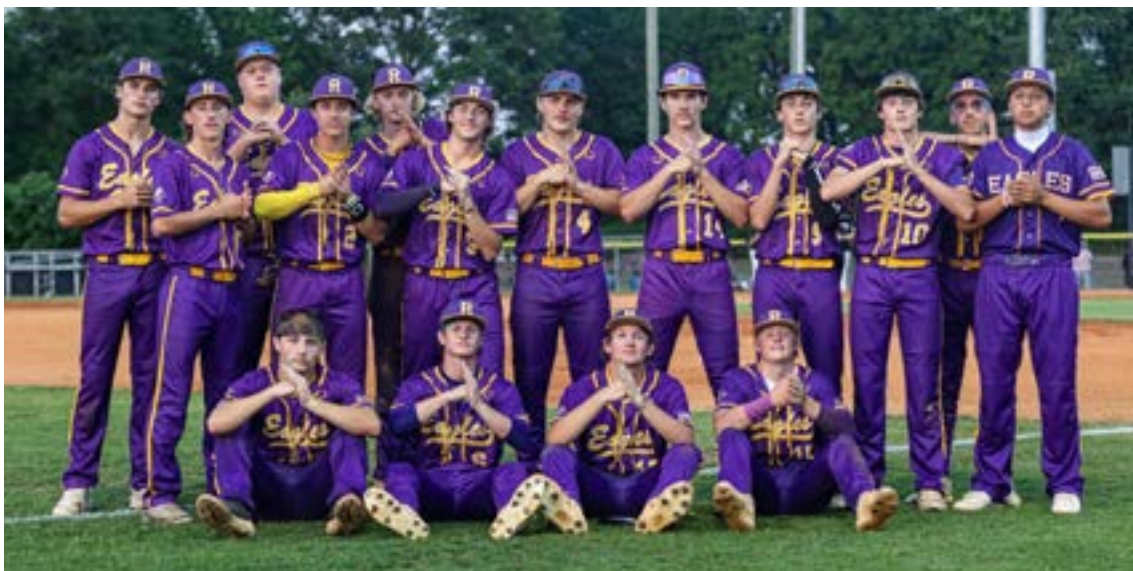
309 hits as a team on the season and nearly 100 stolen bases. 294 runs scored and 7 HR as a team. 12-1 in road games this season. Went undefeated in the Down East Baseball Classic Easter Tournament in Kinston vs 3A and 4A opponents.

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name    | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|--------------|-----|--------|
| 1      | Cam        | Rye          | 11  | OF     |
| 2      | Jack       | Adams        | 12  | SS     |
| 3      | Jacob      | Bond         | 12  | C      |
| 4      | Graham     | Lassiter     | 12  | OF     |
| 5      | Ed         | Gardner      | 12  | RHP    |
| 6      | Robbie     | Boren        | 12  | LHP    |
| 8      | Cuyler     | Jones        | 12  | OF     |
| 9      | Connor     | Smith        | 9   | OF     |
| 10     | Josh       | Bartlett     | 10  | INF    |
| 11     | Kaeden     | Hinson       | 12  | OF     |
| 12     | Braxson    | Waters       | 11  | C      |
| 13     | Cooper     | Smith        | 9   | INF    |
| 14     | Zack       | Tadlock      | 10  | 2B     |
| 15     | Jacob      | Craig        | 12  | INF    |
| 16     | Jose       | Peralta Yero | 12  | OF     |
| 19     | Emmanuel   | Pineda       | 9   | INF    |
| 33     | Conner     | Waters       | 10  | 1B     |

### Most galvanizing game/moment of the season

Game 2 of the Eastern Championship with a 10-8 win at perennial powerhouse Perquimans HS.

It was a huge moment for the team, school and community as well as a confidence builder moving forward.



# 3A West Champion: East Rutherford Cavaliers

Head Coach: Drew Reynolds

Assistant Coaches: Bobby Dale Reynolds, Chuck Walker, Taylor Greene

Athletic Director: Phillip Russ

Principal: Julie Powell

Bat Boy: South Walker

Record: 24-5 (11-3)

Pronunciation Guide:

N/A

Players to watch/College Commitments:

Malachi Dato - Florence-Darlington Tech; Preston Henson - Brunswick CC; Caleb Bennett - Montreat College; Matthew Pinkerton; Brandon Pinkerton; Eli Roof

Key Stats/Things to Know:

2026 3A Western Regional Champions

2026 WPAC 3A/4A Conference Champions

2025 2A State Champions

2025 2A Western Regional Champions

## East Rutherford Roster

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name | Yr. |
|--------|------------|-----------|-----|
| 1      | Matthew    | Pinkerton | 12  |
| 2      | Preston    | Henson    | 12  |
| 3      | Landon     | Flynn     | 12  |
| 4      | Landon     | Joyce     | 10  |
| 5      | Zeb        | Koone     | 12  |
| 6      | Aiden      | Lane      | 11  |
| 7      | Eli        | Webb      | 12  |
| 8      | Eli        | Roof      | 12  |
| 9      | Malachi    | Dato      | 12  |
| 11     | Caleb      | Bennett   | 12  |
| 14     | Brody      | Wilson    | 11  |
| 15     | Brady      | Swain     | 12  |
| 16     | Brandon    | Pinkerton | 12  |
| 17     | Hunter     | Huber     | 11  |
| 18     | Luke       | Bailey    | 12  |
| 19     | Cade       | Hunnicutt | 10  |
| 20     | Riley      | Terry     | 10  |
| 22     | Xavier     | Champion  | 10  |
| 23     | Aiden      | Thomas    | 9   |



# 3A East Champions: Whiteville Wolfpack

Head Coach: Connor Grainger  
Assistants: Todd Burney, Chase Rhodes, Dustin Hendren  
Athletic Director: Savanna Elkins  
Principal: W.T. Edwards  
Manager: Lucas Kerper  
Record: 19-7 (10-0)

Pronunciation Guide:  
Jake Odham - Oh-dum  
Layton McLean - Mc-Lain  
Ty Mishue - Mis - shoe  
Ty'lae Rose - Tie - Lay  
Jaquan McKinnis - Jay-Quan

Players to watch and college commitments  
Jake Odham - SS - UNCP

## Roster

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name | Yr. |
|--------|------------|-----------|-----|
| 2      | Luke       | Merritt   | 10  |
| 3      | Jake       | Odham     | 12  |
| 4      | Layton     | McLean    | 12  |
| 5      | Collin     | Hooks     | 11  |
| 6      | Jayden     | Todd      | 11  |
| 7      | Nate       | Merritt   | 10  |
| 8      | Brier      | Russell   | 10  |
| 9      | Paxton     | Bass      | 11  |
| 10     | Grayson    | Canady    | 11  |
| 11     | Briley     | Tedder    | 10  |
| 12     | Sidney     | Miller    | 10  |
| 14     | Luke       | McLean    | 9   |
| 15     | Ty         | Mishue    | 11  |
| 16     | Noah       | Jones     | 9   |
| 22     | Wyatt      | Torelli   | 11  |
| 24     | Ty'Lae     | Rose      | 10  |
| 28     | Conrad     | Martinez  | 10  |
| 30     | Jaquan     | McKinnis  | 9   |
| 32     | Swift      | Pridgen   | 10  |



# 4A West Champions: Burns Bulldogs

Head Coach: Alex Leonhardt

Assistant Coaches: Nick Triplett, Colson Miller, Jonathan Blanton, Patrick Mauney, Michael Botts

Athletic Director: Alex Leonhardt

Principal: Vernon Beaver

ATC: Sara Jackson

Record: 25-3 (15-1)

Expected Starters:

Max Davis 16 SS Drew Dixon 1 LF Yates Toney 15 C Andrew Yarboro 13 3B Mason Bralley 4 CF Lathan Peeler 3 2B Gage Camp 17 1B Ethan Robinson 10 DH Brian Buttrick 14 P Bryson Arrowood 5 RF

Pronunciation Guide:

Wroblewski (Rob-L-ow-Ski)

Bralley (Bra-leigh)

DeRisi (D-reese)

Yarboro (Yar-borough)

Players to watch/College Commitments:

Drew Dixon - Cleveland Community, Yates Toney-Soph, Max Davis-Junior, Mason Bralley-Junior, Brian Buttrick-Fr

Key Stats/Things to know:

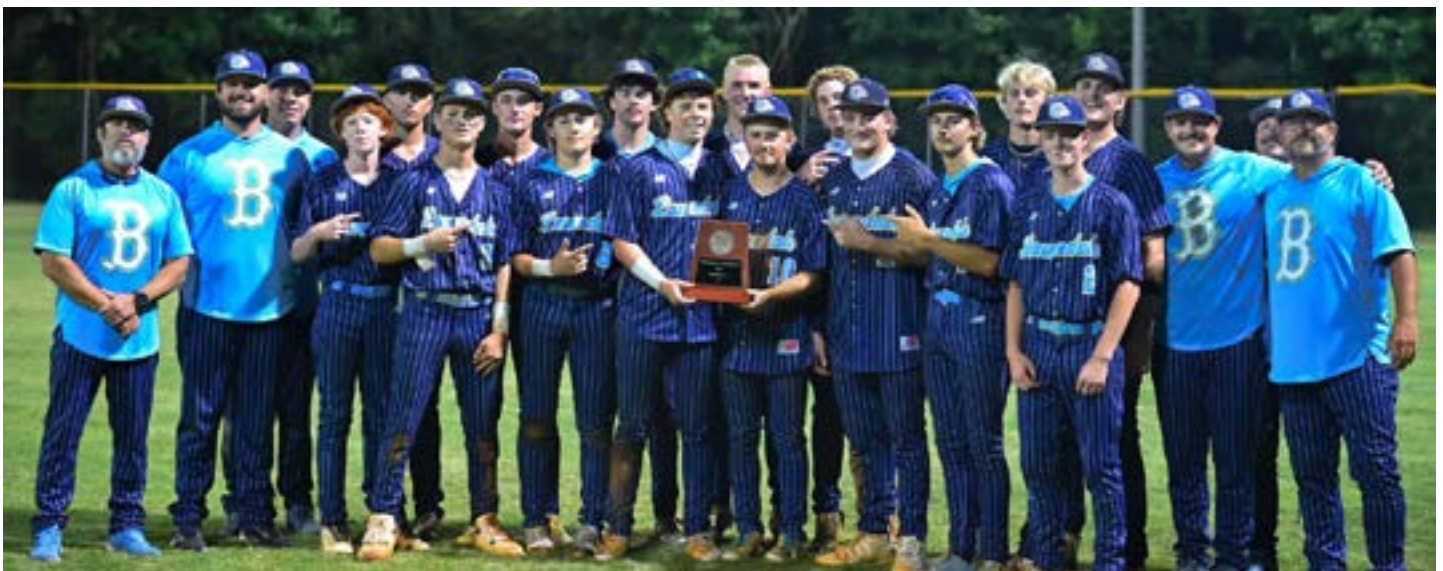
Max Davis - .480 BA, 4 HR. (missed 6 weeks with hamstring injury) Drew Dixon - .467 BA 11-2B, 3-3B, 10-HR, 41-RBI, 49-R Yates Toney - .359 BA 7-2B, 1-3B, 4-HR, 22-RBI, 37-R Andrew Yarboro .291 BA 7-2B, 3-HR 28-RBI, 24-R Mason Bralley .403 BA 5-2B, 3-HR, 24-RBI, 30-R Lathan Peeler .337 6-2B, HR, 24-RBI, 20-R Gage Camp .382 OBP 4-2B, 3-HR 24-RBI, 17-R Ethan Robinson .405 OBP 2-2B, 3B 23-R Bryson Arrowood .400 OBP Mason Blanton .380 OBP

Keys to success: Learning to deal with adversity. Our #1 and #2 pitchers coming into the year have been "shut down" for a large part of the season. This has taught this team how to step up for each other and focus on the next pitch, next AB or whatever.

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name  | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|------------|-----|--------|
| 1      | Drew       | Dixon      | 12  | OF     |
| 2      | Dalton     | Wroblewski | 11  | OF     |
| 3      | Lathan     | Peeler     | 11  | 2B     |
| 4      | Mason      | Bralley    | 11  | OF     |
| 5      | Bryson     | Arrowood   | 11  | OF     |
| 6      | Mason      | Blanton    | 10  | C      |
| 7      | Zane       | Derisi     | 10  | INF    |
| 8      | Nate       | Cline      | 10  | OF     |
| 9      | Colton     | McMurry    | 10  | LHP    |
| 10     | Ethan      | Robinson   | 12  | INF    |
| 11     | Garrison   | Greene     | 9   | SS     |
| 13     | Andrew     | Yarboro    | 11  | 3B     |
| 14     | Brian      | Buttrick   | 9   | P      |
| 15     | Yates      | Toney      | 10  | C      |
| 16     | Max        | Davis      | 11  | SS     |
| 17     | Gage       | Camp       | 11  | 1B     |

er. We had a Freshman pitcher, Brian Buttrick step into a large role early in his career. Whatever happens this team uses the motto of "good" and figures out how to solve the problem. We were also without our SS and leadoff hitter, Max Davis for 6 weeks due to a hamstring injury. Lathan Peeler stepped up and filled that void well plus some younger sophomores which saw opportunities. It truly has been a team effort this year

Most Galvanizing Moment: We lost three games in a row in the middle of the year and came out of our Easter Break looking for our identity. We plugged Max Davis back into the lineup, played Cherryville in a two game series that week and went 2-0. From there on we have clicked on all cylinders, defensively, offensively and at the plate.



# 4A East Champions: Bunn Wildcats

Head Coach: Patrick Warren  
 Assistant Coaches: John Rappold, Taylor Longson  
 Athletic Director: Chris Lewis  
 Principal: Tyler Morris  
 Non-Player Bench Members: J.T. Turner  
 Record: 24-3 (10-0)

Expected Starters:  
 RF - Tariq Stone - #14, SS - Connor Hathaway - #5, CF  
 - Caleb Johnson - #11, C - Owen Mitchell - #10, P/1B  
 - Jared Hagwood - #4, LF/P - Dylan Mitchell - #3, DH  
 - Calvin Hooks - #7, 2B/P - Braden Jackson - #2, LF/1B  
 - Keagan Price - #9, 3B - Jackson Alford - #5.

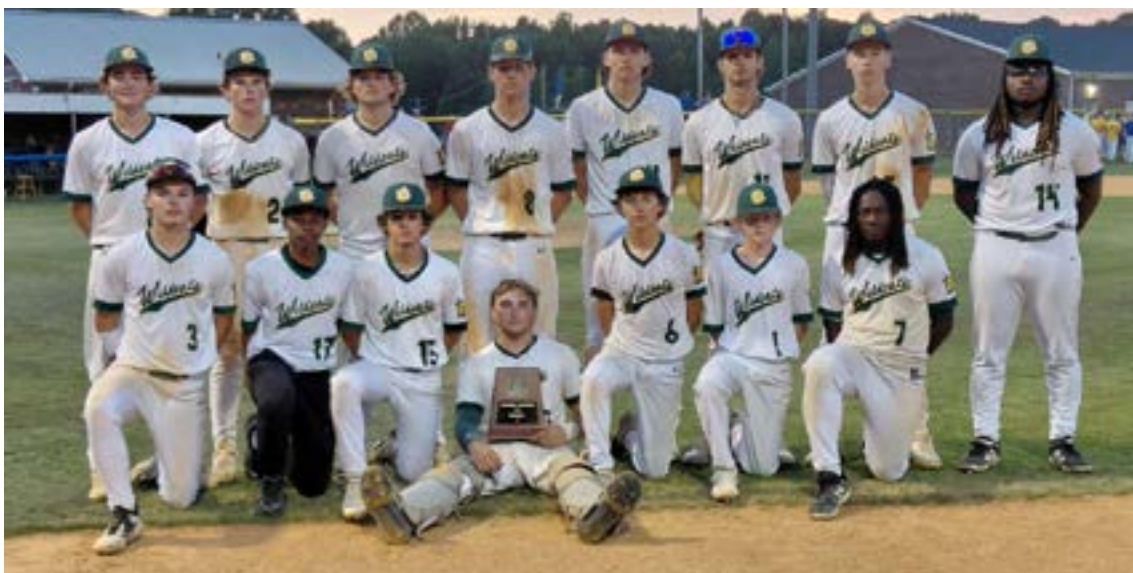
Pronunciation Guide:  
 Keagan Price. Pronounced "Kagan," not Keegan.

Players to watch/College Commitments:  
 Connor Hathaway - Lycoming College commit, Ca-  
 leb Johnson - Mount Olive commit, Owen Mitchell  
 - Greensboro College commit, Jared Hagwood - Wake  
 Tech commit

Key stats/things to know:  
 Caleb Johnson is a 2 time conference player of the year.  
 Hagwood did not give up a run in conference play.  
 Owen Mitchell hit the go-ahead 3 run home run in the  
 game two of the Eastern Finals.

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season:  
 Down 4-0 to Southwestern Randolph in Game 2 of the  
 Eastern Finals. Scored 9 unanswered to make it to the  
 state championship.

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name  | Yr. | Pos. | 1 |
|--------|------------|------------|-----|------|---|
| 1      | Jaden      | Cancilla   | 10  | OF   |   |
| 2      | Braden     | Jackson    | 10  | INF  |   |
| 3      | Dylan      | Mitchell   | 11  | OF   |   |
| 4      | Jared      | Hagwood    | 12  | LHP  |   |
| 5      | Connor     | Hathaway   | 12  | INF  |   |
| 6      | Troy       | Aycock     | 10  | OF   |   |
| 7      | Calvin     | Hooks      | 11  | INF  |   |
| 8      | Jackson    | Alford     | 11  | INF  |   |
| 9      | Keagan     | Price      | 12  | OF   |   |
| 10     | Owen       | Mitchell   | 12  | C    |   |
| 11     | Caleb      | Johnson    | 12  | OF   |   |
| 14     | Tariq      | Stone      | 12  | OF   |   |
| 15     | Trey       | Lee        | 9   | INF  |   |
| 17     | Daequan    | Cooke      | 9   | OF   |   |
| 20     | DJ         | Smith      | 11  | OF   |   |
| 23     | Caiden     | Carpenter  | 11  | INF  |   |
| 25     | Hunter     | Buckingham | 10  | 1B   |   |



# 5A West Champions: North Lincoln Knights

Head Coach: Charlie Goss  
 Assistants: Jake Helms, Mike Gardiner, Mike Sullivan  
 Athletic Director: Dennis Frye  
 Principal: Josh Van Eseltine  
 Addie McGinnis (Athletic Trainer)  
 Brady Dellinger (manager)  
 Bley Phillips (manager)  
 Record: 27-3 (15-1)

Expected Starters:  
 LF, 7, Caleb Hancock  
 CF, 4, Greyson Evans  
 RF, 13, Beckett Rinkus  
 3B, 9, Tucker Sigmon  
 SS, 1, Cason McGinnis  
 2B, 14, Bryson Summey  
 1B, 10, Blake Mincey  
 C, 2, Elliott Dellinger

Pronunciation Guide:  
 Swead (Sweed)  
 Wurdeman (Word-uh-men)  
 Summey (Sum-mee)  
 Stroupe (Stroop)  
 Nemire (Knee-mire)  
 Goss (like "Boss" but with a G)

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name      | Yr. | Pos. |
|--------|------------|----------------|-----|------|
| 1      | Cason      | McGinnis       | 12  | INF  |
| 2      | Elliott    | Dellinger      | 12  | C    |
| 3      | Parker     | Williams       | 10  | P    |
| 4      | Greyson    | Evans          | 11  | OF   |
| 5      | Anthony    | Elberti        | 11  | C    |
| 6      | Jarrin     | Swead          | 12  | OF   |
| 7      | Caleb      | Hancock        | 11  | UTIL |
| 8      | Mason      | Lafferty-Boyer | 11  | P    |
| 9      | Tucker     | Sigmon         | 12  | INF  |
| 10     | Blake      | Mincey         | 12  | INF  |
| 11     | Vincent    | Elberti        | 11  | P    |
| 12     | Nick       | Wurdeman       | 11  | OF   |
| 13     | Beckett    | Rinkus         | 11  | OF   |
| 14     | Bryson     | Summey         | 10  | INF  |
| 15     | Stephen    | Fox            | 12  | OF   |
| 16     | Bryson     | Schmidt        | 10  | P    |
| 17     | Levi       | Josey          | 10  | INF  |
| 18     | Davis      | Robinson       | 11  | OF   |
| 19     | James      | Welch          | 11  | OF   |
| 20     | Justin     | Stroupe        | 12  | INF  |
| 21     | Brooks     | Jones          | 10  | P    |
| 22     | Zach       | Ireland        | 11  | INF  |
| 23     | James      | Priddy         | 12  | P    |
| 24     | Peyton     | Helms          | 11  | P    |
| 25     | Cole       | Nemire         | 10  | UTIL |

Players to watch and college committments  
 Cason McGinnis (UNCW) -- Elliott Dellinger (UVA  
 Wise) -- Tucker Sigmon (CVCC) -- Jarrin Swead  
 (Erskine) -- Parker Williams, Bryson Schmidt, Bryson  
 Summey, Greyson Evans, Beckett Rinkus



# 5A East Champion: Seaforth Hawks

Head Coach: Spense Messmore  
 Assistant Coaches: Nathan Hoover, Matthew Tompkins  
 AD: Jared Worley  
 Principal: Dr. St. Clair  
 Manager: Taylor Williford  
 Statistician: Landon Jones  
 Record: 21-9 (8-4)

Expected Starters:  
 P - Bryce Huneycutt #2 C - Colin Dorney #4 1B - Jaedyn Rader #23 2B - Anthony Landano #10 3B - Banks Elmore #14 SS - Easton Sykes #5 LF - Shane Manz #6 CF - Bauer Bowling #8 RF - Jack Simpson #7 DH - Duncan Parker #9

Pronunciation Guide:  
 Brayden Meulendyke (Mew-len-dyke)  
 John Koutsos (Koot-so-s)

Players to watch/College Commitments:  
 Jaedyn Rader - Catawba Valley Community College;  
 Colin Dorney - William Peace University; Bryce Huneycutt - Uncommitted; Bauer Bowling - Uncommitted

Key stats/Things to know:  
 Team ERA 1.716  
 Jaedyn Rader Career stats: Offensive - 401 batting average, 100 Runs scored 64 RBI's, 55 Stolen Bases; Pitching - 177 innings pitched, 1.62 ERA, 202 K's, 16 W, 4 Saves  
 Jaedyn Rader Season stats: Pitching - (4-6; 4SV) 59.2 innings pitched, 1.291 ERA, 18 BB, 77K's; Offensive - .451 avg

| #  | First Name | Last Name  | Yr | Pos |
|----|------------|------------|----|-----|
|    | Carter     | Mospan     | 9  | OF  |
| 2  | Bryce      | Huneycutt  | 11 | INF |
| 3  | Benjamin   | Taylor     | 10 | C   |
| 4  | Colin      | Dorney     | 12 | C   |
| 5  | Easton     | Sykes      | 11 | INF |
| 6  | Shane      | Manz       | 11 | OF  |
| 7  | Jack       | Simpson    | 11 | 1B  |
| 8  | Bauer      | Bowling    | 11 | OF  |
| 9  | Duncan     | Parker     | 11 | OF  |
| 10 | Anthony    | Landano    | 11 | INF |
| 11 | John       | Koutsos    | 11 | LHP |
| 12 | Vance      | Norman     | 11 | P   |
| 14 | Banks      | Elmore     | 10 | INF |
| 20 | Tristan    | Cooper     | 10 | 1B  |
| 23 | Jaedyn     | Rader      | 12 | P   |
| 24 | Brayden    | Meulendyke | 11 | 1B  |

Jaedyn Rader - has reached base safely in 26 of 28 games played this season. 4 straight multi hit games in the playoffs

Bryce Huneycutt Career stats: Pitching - 84 innings pitched, 1.17 ERA, 97 K's, 12 W, 3 Saves  
 Bryce Huneycutt Season stats: Pitching - (8-1) 53 innings pitched, 1.585 ERA, 0.925 WHIP, .192 BAA, 11 BB, 59 K's; Hitting - .369 avg



# 6A West Champion: South Caldwell Spartans

Head Coach: Jeff Parham

Assistant Coaches: Kenny Ellison, Hunter Bryant, Alex Laws, Jason Bumgarner, Richard Wynn, Davis Smith

AD: Ethan James

Principal: Dr. Jason Attig

ATC: Kyle Clontz

Statistician: Ronnie Perry

Record: 23-6 (6-4)

Expected Starters

1B, #3, Jacob Perkins; 2B, #2, Koda Beard; SS, #6, Chase Cardwell; 3B, #9, Luke Williams, C, #15, JP Smith; P, #4, Nate Hall; LF, #13, Coleman Craig; CF, #1, Kori McCall; RF, #12, Luke Church

Pronunciation Guide

N/A

Players to Watch/College Commitments:

Chase Cardwell & Nate Hall-Surry Community College; Luke Church-Cleveland Community College; Kori McCall-Wake Tech Community College; Luke Williams-Caldwell Community College

Key stats

Kori McCall-.347 BA, 24 RBI's, 3 HR; JP Smith-.322, 36 RBI's, 3 HR's; Nate Hall-60 IN, 65 K's, 8-3 W-L, 1.75 ERA

Keys to success this year:

Resiliency during adversity.

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season:

Playoff run and key road wins.

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name   | Yr. | Pos. |
|--------|------------|-------------|-----|------|
| 1      | Kori       | McCall      | 12  | CF   |
| 2      | Koda       | Beard       | 11  | 2B   |
| 3      | Jacob      | Perkins     | 11  | P    |
| 4      | Nate       | Hall        | 12  | OF   |
| 6      | Chase      | Cardwell    | 12  | SS   |
| 7      | Colton     | Shook       | 11  | INF  |
| 8      | Easton     | Bumgarner   | 9   | C    |
| 9      | Luke       | Williams    | 12  | INF  |
| 10     | David      | Bachman     | 11  | INF  |
| 11     | Dawson     | Hamby       | 10  | INF  |
| 12     | Luke       | Church      | 12  | P    |
| 13     | Coleman    | Craig       | 11  | P    |
| 14     | Brady      | Boston      | 12  | P    |
| 15     | JP         | Smith       | 12  | C    |
| 18     | Graham     | Heavner     | 9   | C    |
| 20     | AC         | Lefler      | 10  | INF  |
| 21     | Cooper     | Dotson      | 12  | 1B   |
| 22     | Brayden    | Auton       | 11  | OF   |
| 24     | Aiden      | Lewis       | 10  | P    |
| 25     | Liam       | Biggerstaff | 9   | INF  |



# 6A East Champion: Southern Lee Cavaliers

Head Coach: Tommy Harrington  
 Assistants: Chris Maples, Chris Tipton, Tom Shaffer, Martin Bryant  
 Athletic Director: Tommy Harrington  
 Principal: Amy Lundy  
 Manager: Kessler Petrarca  
 Record: 29-4 (13-1)

## Expected Starters:

Max Sercy #23 2b/ss, Ben Harrington #7 ss/p, Luke Waters #5 c, Parker Bloedorn #18 1b, Gavin Shaffer #24 lf, Dallas Roberts #16 3b, Brody Brown #15 dh, Sam Taylor #8 cf, Drew Patton #6 rf,  
 Pitchers - Christian Cox #2 rhp, Ben Harrington #7 rhp, Mitchel Bryant #9 rhp, Bailey Berg #11 rhp, Rylan Stephens #22 lhp, Sam Taylor #8, Wyatt McAllister #14 lhp, Parker Bloedorn #18 rhp, Luke Bloedorn #13 rhp

## Pronunciation Guide:

Bloedorn (BLAY-DORN)

## Players to watch and college commitments:

Senior RHP Christian Cox has committed to Robeson Community College. Junior catcher Luke Waters is uncommitted. Sophomore Ben Harrington SS/RHP uncommitted. Sophomore Parker Bloedorn 1B,OF,RHP uncommitted. Max Andrew Sercy 2B/SS uncommitted

## Key stats, things to know

Ben Harrington BA - .436, 5 players batting over 300, Team OBP is .429, Team has drawn 162 walks and 59 HBP, Team ERA is 2.17, Team Fielding is .939

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name  | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|------------|-----|--------|
| 15, 1  | Brody      | Brown      | 10  | P      |
| 16, 3  | Dallas     | Roberts    | 10  | 3B     |
| 2      | Christian  | Cox        | 12  | P      |
| 4      | Jordan     | Tipton     | 12  | UTIL   |
| 5      | Luke       | Waters     | 11  | C      |
| 6      | Drew       | Patton     | 11  | 2B     |
| 7      | Ben        | Harrington | 10  | SS     |
| 8      | Sam        | Taylor     | 10  | OF     |
| 9      | Mitchel    | Bryant     | 11  | P      |
| 10     | Amari      | Britton    | 12  | 1B     |
| 11     | Bailey     | Berg       | 11  | P      |
| 12     | Gavin      | Smith      | 11  | UTIL   |
| 18     | Parker     | Bloedorn   | 10  | C      |
| 19     | Tristan    | Marsh      | 12  | OF     |
| 22     | Rylan      | Stephens   | 11  | OF     |
| 23     | Max Andrew | Sercy      | 11  | 2B     |
| 24     | Gavin      | Shaffer    | 10  | OF     |

## Keys to success this season

Keys to our success this season has been strong consistent pitching, solid defense, and just taking what the other teams gives us at the plate. Team has played for what's on the front of their jersey all year. Everyone has accepted their role and has put the team first.

## Most galvanizing game/moment of the season

Beating Terry Sanford in the semis of the East Region 5-4. Down 2 in the bottom of the 7th inning, to come back and walk it off against a year end and year out top program was a defining moment.



# 7A West Champion: Marvin Ridge Mavericks

Head Coach: Trey Putnam

Assistants: Cam Hill, Zach Winchester, Tyler D'Amico,  
Jeff Stack, Jake Machado, Jack Singleton

Athletic Director: Justin Frashier

Principal: Matt Lasher

Non-Player Bench Personnel: Cal Fehling

Record: 22-10 (10-5)

Expected Starters:

P, 34, Colin Slep C, 3, Dean Larkin

1B, 42, Alex Hampton, 2B, 7, Austin Martinez

3B, 8, Levi Kerr, SS, 12, Lucas Delacruz

LF, 9, Dylan Poling, CF, 2, Logan D'Amico

RF, 11, Alex Culicerto, DH, 6, Mike Feeley

Players to watch and college commitments

Logan D'Amico-Wake Forest, Lucas Delacruz-Virginia

Tech, Colin Slep-University of North Florida, Dean Lar-

kin-Queens University, Matthew Terwilliger-Kutztown

U, Alex Culicerto-Guilford College, Dylan Poling-Guil-

ford Tech CC, Levi Kerr

Key stats, things to know

Logan D'Amico- .473 BA, .581 OBP, 13 HR, 48 RBI

Lucas Delacruz- .429 BA, .535 OBP, 5 HR, 38 RBI

Levi Kerr- .390 BA, .541 OBP, 4 HR, 29 RBI

Levi Kerr(Pitching)- 5-0, 1.29 ERA, .946 WHIP, 27 K's

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name   | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|-------------|-----|--------|
| 2      | Logan      | D'Amico     | 12  | OF     |
| 3      | Dean       | Larkin      | 12  | C      |
| 5      | Owen       | Brower      | 11  | RHP    |
| 6      | Mike       | Feeley      | 11  | 3B     |
| 7      | Austin     | Martinez    | 12  | 2B     |
| 8      | Levi       | Kerr        | 10  | 3B     |
| 9      | Dylan      | Poling      | 12  | OF     |
| 10     | Matthew    | Terwilliger | 12  | LHP    |
| 11     | Alex       | Culicerto   | 12  | OF     |
| 12     | Lucas      | Delacruz    | 12  | SS     |
| 14     | Jackson    | Mazur       | 12  | RHP    |
| 15     | Trent      | Burke       | 11  | RHP    |
| 18     | Dennis     | Gagis       | 12  | OF     |
| 22     | Tyler      | Wagner      | 11  | RHP    |
| 24     | Odin       | Ginader     | 11  | RHP    |
| 25     | Jake       | Zobel       | 11  | RHP    |
| 26     | Matt       | Feeley      | 11  | OF     |
| 30     | Aidan      | Taylor      | 12  | RHP    |
| 33     | Emery      | Young       | 10  | 1B     |
| 34     | Colin      | Slep        | 12  | RHP    |
| 35     | Luke       | Douglas     | 10  | P      |
| 41     | Ryan       | Terwilliger | 10  | C      |
| 42     | Alex       | Hampton     | 10  | 1B     |
| 44     | Cody       | Kaufman     | 10  | 2B     |

Keys to success this season

consistent approach at the plate, making the routine  
play defensively, pitchers attacking zone and working  
ahead in playoffs



# 7A East Champion: Holly Springs Golden Hawks

Head Coach: Rod Whitesell

Assistant Coaches: Sebastian Nazabal, Andrew Kramer

AD: Rod Whitesell

Principal: Gary Duvall

Record: 24-5 (9-1)

Expected Starters:

P, Caleb Renn, 6 LF, Anthony Zezza, 1 C, Hodge Williams, 3 1B, Connor Hourihan, 9 RF, Noah Rhoades, 2 3B, Jared Lehrer, 5 2B, Mason Hamrick, 17 SS, Ethan Harkin, 15 CF, Gabriel Cooper, 23

Pronunciation Guide:

Lehrer is Lear

Players to watch and college commitments:

Hodge Williams, Pitt Community, Noah Rhoades, Winthrop, Anthony Zezza Queens

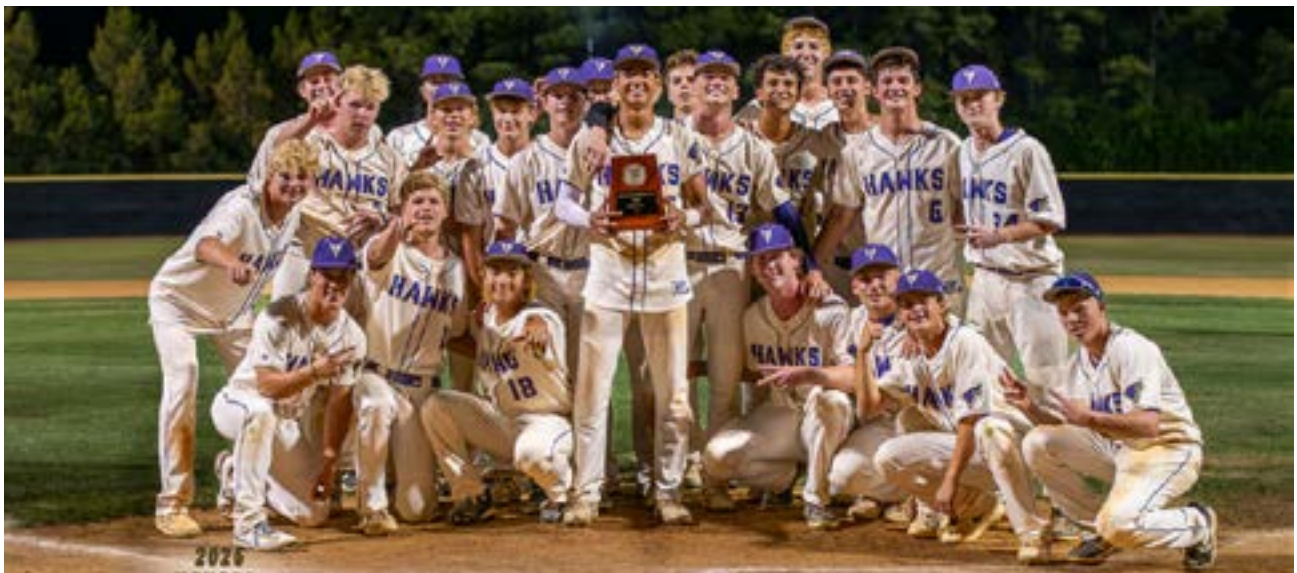
Key stats:

Team ERA under 2.00, 250 strikeouts, Williams 10 HRs,

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season:

Game 2 of East finals, down 5-0 in top of first and fought back to win 8-6 and advance to state championship series.

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name    | Yr. | Pos. |
|--------|------------|--------------|-----|------|
| 1      | Anthony    | Zezza        | 12  | OF   |
| 2      | Noah       | Rhoades      | 12  | OF   |
| 3      | Hodge      | Williams     | 12  | C    |
| 4      | Brennan    | McKenna      | 11  | RHP  |
| 5      | Jared      | Lehrer       | 12  | INF  |
| 6      | Caleb      | Renn         | 11  | OF   |
| 7      | Brandon    | Goss         | 12  | OF   |
| 8      | Noah       | Kindelberger | 12  | OF   |
| 9      | Connor     | Hourihan     | 11  | LHP  |
| 10     | Luke       | Nakhla       | 12  | OF   |
| 11     | Owen       | Lutes        | 12  | OF   |
| 12     | Chase      | Fleischman   | 11  | INF  |
| 13     | Jack       | McDowell     | 12  | OF   |
| 14     | Austin     | Harris       | 11  | 1B   |
| 15     | Ethan      | Harkin       | 9   | SS   |
| 17     | Mason      | Hamrick      | 10  | 2B   |
| 18     | Kaden      | Sojorda      | 12  | OF   |
| 19     | Aiden      | McKenna      | 11  | INF  |
| 20     | Miles      | Linke        | 11  | OF   |
| 21     | Sam        | Saxenmeyer   | 10  | 3B   |
| 22     | Lucas      | Holder       | 12  | OF   |
| 23     | Gabriel    | Cooper       | 10  | OF   |
| 24     | Ryan       | Curley       | 10  |      |
| 28     | Bryce      | George       | 11  | OF   |



# 8A West Champion: Providence Panthers

Head Coach: Danny Hignight

Assistant Coaches: Matt Bennett, Heath Brown, Andrew McKay

AD: Tom Jamerson

Principal: Christopher Myers

Record: 29-1 (10-0)

Pronunciation Guide

Telmanik-Khanolkar-Pitsiniagas-Pejot

Players to watch and college commitments

Michael Pitsiniagas/Jackson Debe/Parks Rhyne-Wingate

Asher Lyon Lenior Community College

Jack Pejot Gaston Community College

Julio Gonzalez Caldwell Community College

Whit McCammo Campbell

Jaxon Haynes USC

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name   | Yr. | Pos. |
|--------|------------|-------------|-----|------|
|        | Michael    | Im          | 12  | RHP  |
| 1      | Mason      | Telmanik    | 11  | RHP  |
| 2      | Michael    | Rinaldi     | 12  | OF   |
| 3      | Cooper     | Slone       | 10  | INF  |
| 4      | Matt       | Ryan        | 12  | INF  |
| 5      | Braxton    | Thompson    | 10  | INF  |
| 6      | Jackson    | Debe        | 12  | 3B   |
| 7      | Asher      | Lyon        | 12  | OF   |
| 8      | Chase      | Khanolkar   | 12  | C    |
| 9      | Eli        | Webb        | 11  | C    |
| 10     | Ryan       | Cox         | 12  | 2B   |
| 11     | Whit       | McCammon    | 11  | SS   |
| 12     | James      | Sturgis     | 11  | RHP  |
| 14     | Jaxon      | Haynes      | 11  | OF   |
| 15     | Jack       | Pejot       | 12  | OF   |
| 16     | Parks      | Rhyne       | 12  | RHP  |
| 17     | Michael    | Pitsiniagas | 12  | OF   |
| 18     | Grady      | Ennis       | 9   | RHP  |

Keys to success this season

Guys are highly coachable and compete at a high level

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season

Won HIT Spring Break Tournament-Won South Western 8A Conference-Won South Western 8A Conference

Tournament-Swept 8A Western Regional



# 8A East Champion: Corinth Holders Pirates

Head Coach: Adam Weaver

Assistant Coaches: RICHIE SEATON ROBBIE STORREY KEVIN CAVE KEVIN PETTY

AD: Adam Weaver

Principal: Melissa Hurst

STEPHEN ATSTUPENAS - ATHLETIC TRAINER

CALEB LAMBERT - MANAGER

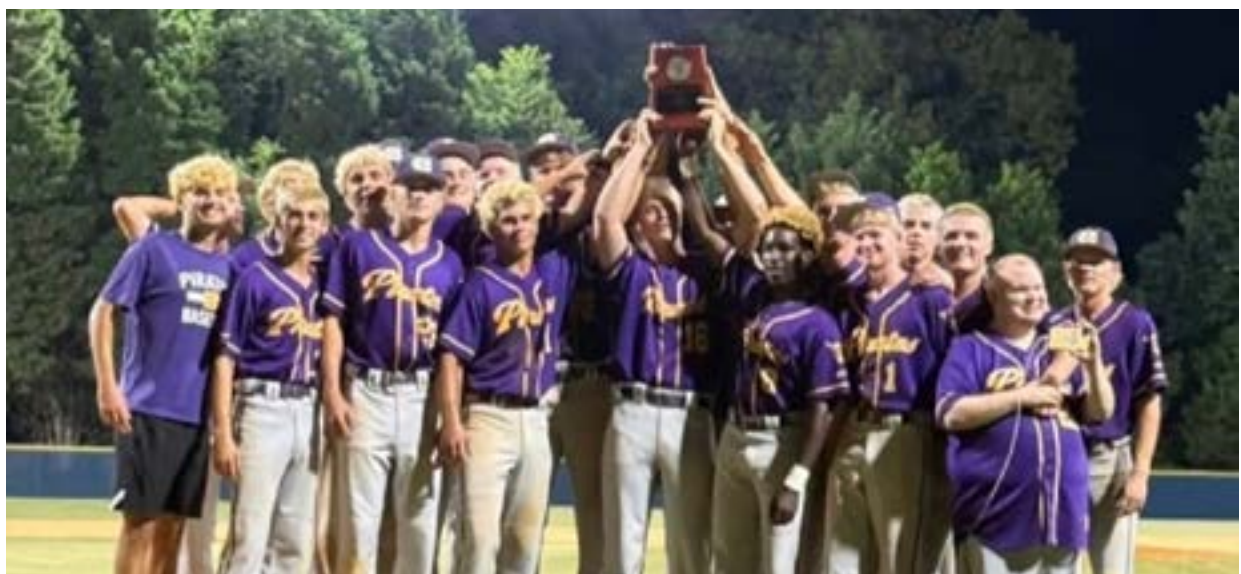
Record: 22-5 (13-1)

Pronunciation Guide:

#10 Brady (Wa - cool - ich)

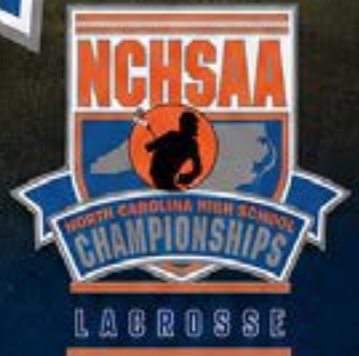
#15 Austin (Bevil - aqua)

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name  | Yr. |
|--------|------------|------------|-----|
| 1      | Tanner     | Wilder     | 10  |
| 2      | Kian       | Richardson | 9   |
| 3      | Blaine     | Jones      | 10  |
| 4      | Kaiden     | Harris     | 11  |
| 5      | Eli        | Cash       | 11  |
| 6      | Hampton    | Gibbs      | 10  |
| 7      | Jonathan   | Bailey     | 10  |
| 8      | Edward     | Evans      | 12  |
| 10     | Brady      | Wokulich   | 10  |
| 11     | Alex       | Houseman   | 12  |
| 12     | Ethan      | Street     | 11  |
| 14     | Tripp      | Johnson    | 12  |
| 15     | Austin     | Bevilaqua  | 12  |
| 16     | Brayden    | Driver     | 12  |
| 17     | Connor     | Dunlop     | 12  |
| 22     | Tanner     | Day        | 11  |
| 23     | Nolan      | Jacobs     | 10  |
| 24     | Carter     | Wall       | 12  |



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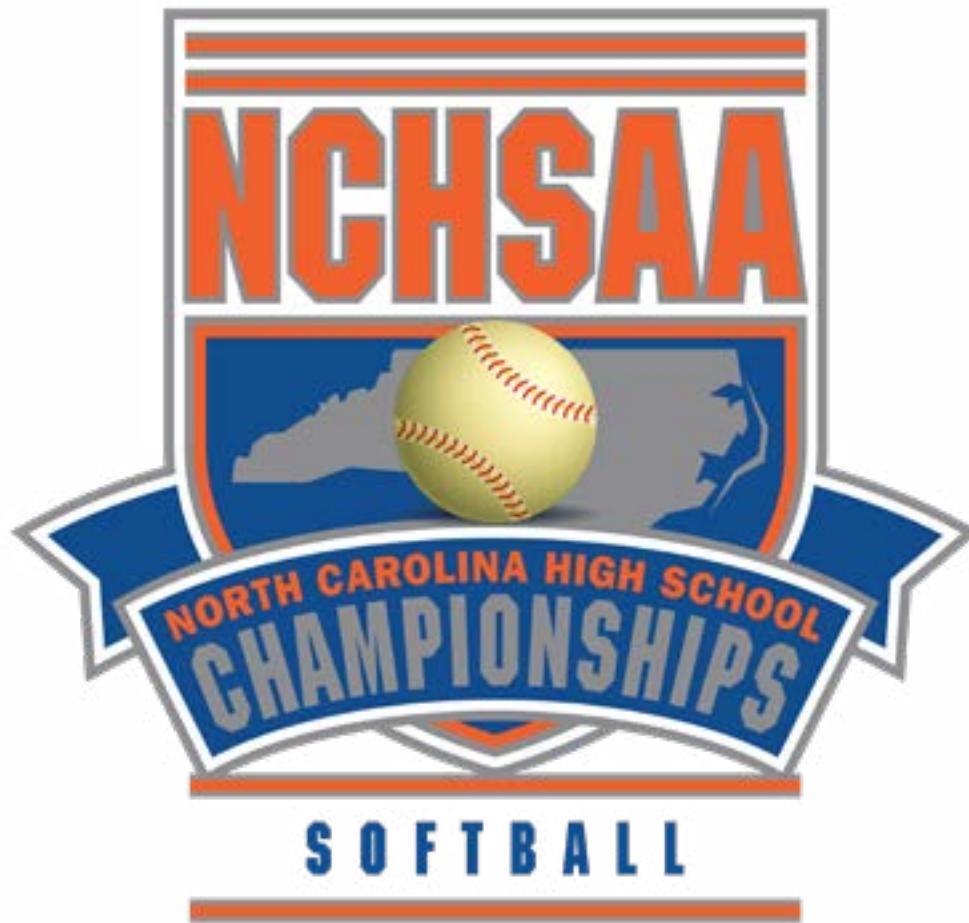
# CHAMPIONSHIP WEEK



**MAY**  
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2026 NCHSAA Softball Championship Series Participants



# 1A West Champion: Robbinsville Black Knights

Head Coach: Billy Knight  
 Assistants: Joanne Knight, Annie Dalton, Michael Shuler, Jeff Knight, Rodney Nelson, Josh Winfrey, Brian Millsaps  
 Athletic Director: Lucas Ford  
 Principal: Erika Sawyer  
 Record: 25-2 (14-0)  
 Trainer: Anne Smallwood  
 Manager: Ruth Aguirre

Expected Starters  
 2nd Base, #1, KJ Spencer  
 3rd Base, #23, Suri Watty  
 SS, #3, Daphne Barlow  
 DP, #44, Sophie Roberts  
 P, #20, Ella Nelms  
 C, #55, Dreylee Webster  
 LF, #9, Sydney Adams  
 CF, #4, Anna Williams  
 RF, #24, Khaygan Buchanan  
 FX/1st Base, #21, Myah Winfrey

Pronunciation Guide:  
 Suri=Sir-e  
 Khaygan=K-Gun

Players to watch and college committments  
 Suri Watty (Chattanooga State), Daphne Barlow, Ella Nelms, Dreylee Webster

Key stats, things to know  
 Hit .397 as a team, Team committed only 14 errors on

| Jersey | First Last       | Yr. | Ht.    | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------------|-----|--------|--------|
| 1      | Kynadee Spencer  | 10  | 5' 4"  | 2B     |
| 2      | Loxley Burke     | 10  | 5' 5"  | C      |
| 3      | Daphne Barlow    | 10  | 5' 5"  | SS     |
| 4      | Anna Williams    | 12  | 5' 5"  | OF     |
| 5      | Ella Atwell      | 11  | 5' 3"  | UTIL   |
| 9      | Sydney Adams     | 11  | 5' 6"  | OF     |
| 13     | Natty Myers      | 9   | 5' 5"  | UTIL   |
| 20     | Ella Nelms       | 9   | 5' 11" | P      |
| 21     | Myah Winfrey     | 9   | 5' 8"  | UTIL   |
| 22     | Lexie Williams   | 10  | 5' 2"  | OF     |
| 23     | Suri Watty       | 12  | 5' 2"  | 3B     |
| 24     | Khaygan Buchanan | 10  | 5' 6"  | OF     |
| 44     | Sophie Roberts   | 12  | 5' 7"  | 1B     |
| 55     | Dreylee Webster  | 11  | 5' 8"  | C      |

the season for a .977 Fielding %, Team ERA was 0.75 and threw 16 shutouts.

Keys to success this season  
 Mudita; our team motto meaning unselfish joy. Being just as happy for other's success as if it were your own! It is the fuel that has driven this program the last 11 years.

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season  
 When our #1 pitcher went down with an injury during the toughest part of our schedule. Our team found out we can still compete and win regardless of who's in the circle!



# 1A East Champion: Bear Grass Charter Bears

Head Coach: Danny Webb

Assistants: Lauren Foell, Carrie Jones, Richard Harper

Athletic Director: David Blend

Principal: Patricia Speller

Scorekeeper: Todd Johnson

Bat girl: Lily Rae Foell

Record: 24-3 (8-0)

Expected Starters:

Aubrey Dotson SS 3, Chloe Clifton Catcher 2, Addison

Bowen 33 2nd, Ella Hayes 9 3rd base, Hannah Lilley

8 1st base, Callee Perry center 10, Lane Gregory 4 left

field, Brielle Rountree 18 pitcher/flex, Olivia Hogge

right field 6, Lilliana Whitehurst 5 DP

Pronunciation Guide:

Hogge (Like Rogue)

Foell (Fole, like pole)

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name  | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|------------|-----|--------|
| 2      | Chloe      | Clifton    | 11  | 3B     |
| 3      | Aubrey     | Dotson     | 12  | SS     |
| 4      | Lane       | Gregory    | 12  | LF     |
| 5      | Lilliana   | Whitehurst | 10  | C      |
| 6      | Olivia     | Hogge      | 11  | OF     |
| 7      | Savannah   | Banning    | 10  | UTIL   |
| 8      | Hannah     | Lilley     | 11  | RHP    |
| 9      | Ella       | Hayes      | 11  | 3B     |
| 10     | Callee     | Perry      | 12  | OF     |
| 11     | Julia      | Woods      | 11  | OF     |
| 12     | Holly      | Wells      | 10  | C      |
| 13     | Maci       | Rogerson   | 10  | 1B     |
| 18     | Bri        | Rountree   | 9   | RHP    |
| 33     | Addison    | Bowen      | 9   | INF    |
| 37     | Kalyn      | Jones      | 9   | SS     |
| 45     | Payge      | Morgan     | 9   | C      |
| 52     | Liliana    | Reason     | 9   | OF     |
| 68     | Jessalyn   | Moore      | 9   | UTIL   |
| 77     | Carolina   | Jenkins    | 10  | RHP    |
| 88     | Haleigh    | Brickhouse | 9   | OF     |



# 2A West Champion: Roxboro Community Bulldogs

Head Coach: Michael Clark

Assistants: Anthony Lee, Ronnie Leonard, Maci Clark,  
and Zoe Russell

Athletic Director: Justin Jones

Principal: Dakari Bryant

Record: 23-3 (8-0)

Expected Starters:

SS, 12, Katie Mann

LF, 00, Karlie Barringer

1B, 43, Karrie Obie

RF, 26, Lexi Powell

3B, 33, Presley Leonard

C, 22, Leah Griffin

DP, 99, Karsyn Dodson

2B, 42, Victoria West

CF, 21, Kylie Bowers

P, 32, Kaylyn Pope

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|-----------|-----|--------|
| 00     | Karlie     | Barringer | 11  | UTIL   |
| 3      | Roxy       | Nelson    | 11  | OF     |
| 10     | Leah       | Cook      | 10  | 1B     |
| 12     | Katie      | Mann      | 11  | SS     |
| 16     | Meredith   | Adams     | 10  | P      |
| 21     | Kylie      | Bowers    | 9   | OF     |
| 22     | Leah       | Griffin   | 10  | C      |
| 26     | Lexi       | Powell    | 10  | OF     |
| 31     | Lainey     | Stutts    | 11  | C      |
| 32     | Kaylyn     | Pope      | 11  | P      |
| 33     | Presley    | Leonard   | 12  | 3B     |
| 42     | Victoria   | West      | 12  | INF    |
| 43     | Karrie     | Obie      | 12  | 1B     |
| 72     | Allarry    | Bradsher  | 9   | UTIL   |
| 99     | Karsyn     | Dodson    | 9   | INF    |

Players to watch and college committments

Karrie Obie - UNC - Greensboro, Presley Leonard -  
Caldwell Community, Katie Mann - Lenoir Rhyne

Keys to success this season

The success to our season has come from the hard  
work, determination, and the buy in for each person to  
play for the team and not themselves.

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season

Would be our series with South Stanly and the determi-  
nation that the girls had to not get down and overcome  
obstacles to win.



## 2A East Champion: North Duplin Rebels

Head Coach: Jaime Kylis Higginbotham  
 Assistant: Steve Kylis  
 Athletic Director: Ricky Edwards  
 Principal: Tony Jones  
 First Responder: Taylor Edwards  
 Manager: Yeeyee Valquez  
 Record: 18-2 (9-1)

Expected Starters:  
 Lilly Fulghum, Marissa Bernal, Ady Spence, Abby Brown, Hannah Gonzales, Gracie Higginbotham, Wyllow Holmes, Raegan Herring, Gizelle Bernal, Kadence Locklear

Pronunciation Guide:  
 Higginbotham (Higgin - both-am). Just like it's spelt, but is a tricky one;  
 Fulghum (ful-ghum); Bernal (Burr-nal)

Lilly Fulghum - committed to UNC-Charlotte to play softball; Players to watch - Marissa Bernal - senior; Gracie Higginbotham - freshman; Wyllow Holmes - freshman

Key stats, things to know  
 The strength of our team cannot be found in our stats.  
 The strength of our team is their ability to compete, play together and never give up.

Keys to success this season  
 The keys to our success this season; consistency in the circle; playing hard, having fun and winning the day;

| Jersey  | First Name | Last Name      | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|---------|------------|----------------|-----|--------|
| 1 (6)   | Raegan     | Herring        | 9   | OF     |
| 19 (10) | Kaydynce   | Locklear       | 10  | UTIL   |
| 21 (11) | Sara       | Smith          | 9   | UTIL   |
| 2       | Gracelyn   | Higginbotham   | 9   | P      |
| 5       | Wyllow     | Holmes         | 9   | UTIL   |
| 7       | Lilly      | Fulghum        | 12  | INF    |
| 8       | Ady        | Spence         | 12  | 1B     |
| 9       | Marissa    | Bernal         | 12  | 3B     |
| 12      | Brenna     | Best           | 9   | OF     |
| 25      | Gizelle    | Bernal         | 9   | 3B     |
| 27      | Abigail    | Norris (Brown) | 11  | C      |
| 30      | Hannah     | Gonzales       | 11  | INF    |

(Numbers in parentheses are for solid green jerseys to be worn Game 3 if necessary).

not looking at the next, but staying grounded in the present.

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season  
 Our most galvanizing moment this season was coming back late in the game from a 9-4 deficit in the third game of the Eastern Regional Championships. EPIC.



# 3A West Champion: West Wilkes Blackhawks

Head Coach: Michael Woodruff

Assistants: Ryan Nichols, Eddie Garza, Matt Fletcher

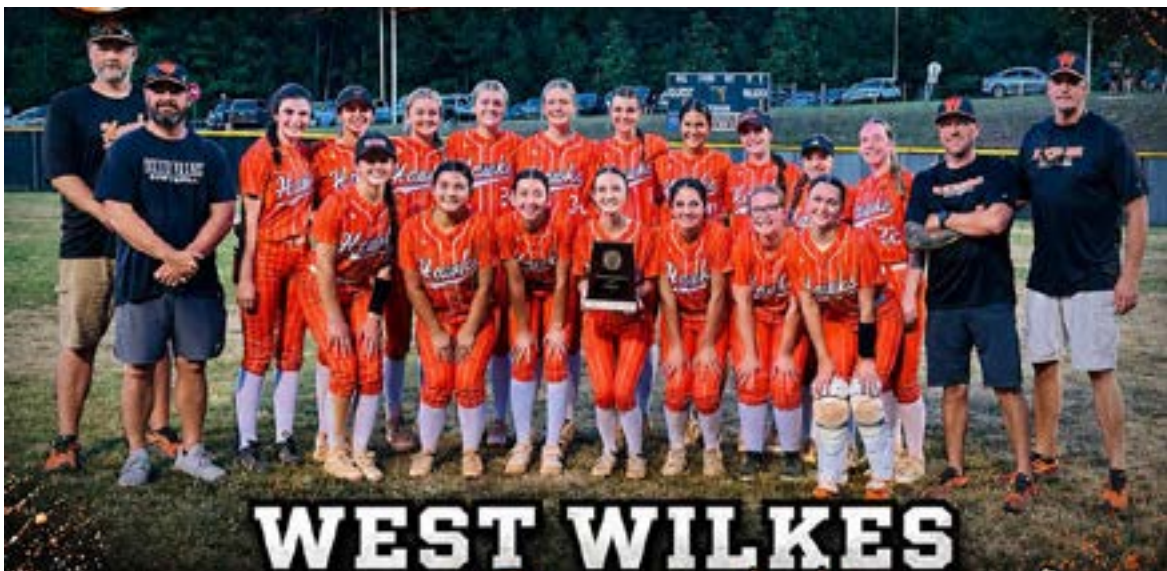
Athletic Director: Todd Rutz

Principal: Dan Prouty

Record 25-1 (15-0)

Information Not Provided by School

- 1 Aubrianna Nichols
- 2 Zoey Woodruff
- 3 Emilia Olvera
- 4 Harley Clemens
- 5 Kendall Wayne
- 6 Baylee Kilby
- 7 Addison Neuens
- 8 Emily Watkins
- 9 Emma Garza
- 10 Kelsey Madden
- 11 Jenna Lambert
- 12 Kaylee Pikenton
- 15 Ava Cayton
- 17 Emmalyn Winters
- 19 Calie Wayne
- 22 Peyton Cockerham
- 24 Leah Greene
- 34 Lindsey Mastin



# 3A East Champions: McMichael Phoenix

Head Coach: Bob Casto  
 Assistants: Mike Dalton, Shawn Taylor  
 Athletic Director: Robert Lamberth  
 Principal: David Edrington  
 Record: 24-4 (9-1)

Expected Starters  
 SS, 8, Olivia Wilson  
 3B, 16, Kora Ingle  
 P, 14, Lindsay Redmon  
 2B, 9, Ava Harris  
 C, 5, Lizzie Wilson  
 1B, 15, Ellie Southern  
 DP, 18, Gabby Schlosser  
 CF, 1, Kortnie Fletcher  
 RF, 2, Ryleigh Cope  
 Flex, LF, 4, Mack Johnson

Pronunciation Guide:  
 Kortnie (court-nee) Fletcher  
 Ryleigh (riley) Cope  
 Kora (core-uh) Ingle  
 Gabby Schlosser (shlo-sheer - the o sounds like the o in hot)

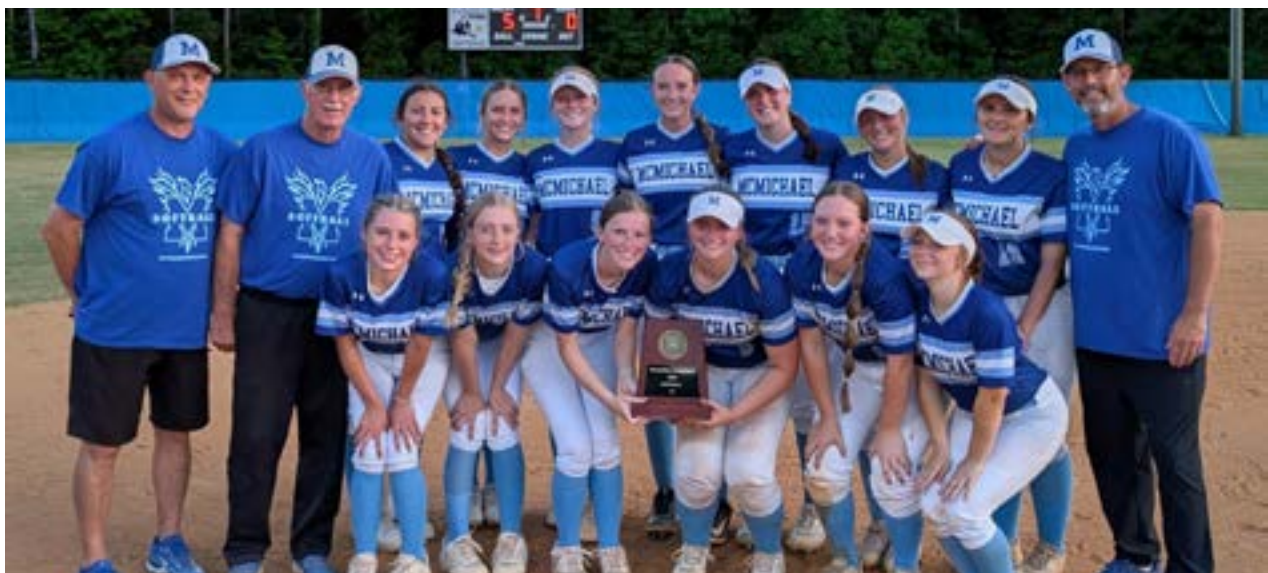
Players to watch and college commitments  
 Kora Ingle(Jr. uncommitted), Lindsay Redmon(Western Carolina U.), Olivia Wilson(Ferrum), Lizzie Wilson(Mt.Olive), Ellie Southern(Meredith College)

Key stats, things to know  
 --5 starters batting over 0.400 (led by Kora Ingle - 0.518 and Lizzie Wilson - 0.513)  
 --31 Homeruns as a team (led by Kora Ingle with 12 and Lindsay Redmon with 10)  
 --Homeruns by 6 different players (Ingle - 12, Redmon - 10,

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name  | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|------------|-----|--------|
| 1      | Kortnie    | Fletcher   | 12  | OF     |
| 2      | Ryleigh    | Cope       | 9   | OF     |
| 3      | Josie      | Tucker     | 9   | 2B     |
| 4      | Mack       | Johnson    | 9   | OF     |
| 5      | Lizzie     | Wilson     | 12  | C      |
| 6      | Leeana     | Richardson | 11  | OF     |
| 7      | Addie      | Crews      | 10  | OF     |
| 8      | Olivia     | Wilson     | 11  | SS     |
| 9      | Ava        | Harris     | 10  | 2B     |
| 14     | Lindsay    | Redmon     | 11  | P      |
| 15     | Ellie      | Southern   | 11  | 1B     |
| 16     | Kora       | Ingle      | 11  | 3B     |
| 18     | Gabby      | Schlosser  | 9   | OF     |

Ellie Southern - 4, Lizzie Wilson - 3, Ava Harris - 1, Kortnie Fletcher - 1)  
 --Olivia Wilson - leadoff with 0.495 OBP and 34 runs  
 --Ava Harris - leads team in doubles (15) and triples (4)  
 --Lindsay Redmon - 20-3, 1.14 ERA, 202 K, 24 BB  
 --Redmon pitching in 5 playoff games - 33 inning, 0.424 ERA, allowed 13 hits, 41 K, 6 BB

Keys to success this season  
 Lindsay Redmon on the mound. She has been consistent from the start of the season and during the playoffs she has taken her pitching to another level. She is also a key hitter on the team leading the team in RBI. Catcher Lizzie Wilson has worked tirelessly behind the plate catching Redmon and allowing very few balls to get past her. Top of the order lineup with Olivia Wilson, Kora Ingle, Lindsay Redmon and Ava Harris are all threats at the plate making it hard to pitch around the big hitters. McMichael is a power hitting team.



# 4A West Champion: Southwestern Randolph Cougars

Head Coach: Toby Strider

Assistant Coaches: Charlie Chapman, Kevin Hulin,  
Haley Epps, Heaven Newlin

Athletic Director: Matt Kiser

Principal: Jonathan Lanier

Trainer: Victoria Curry

Managers: Megan Cheek, Callie Mooneyhan, Stella  
Brown

Record: 23-4 (9-1)

Expected Starters:

Pitcher - 15 - Katelyn West, Catcher - 12 - Jada Freeland, First Base - 5 - Alyssa Harris, Second Base - 2 - Kami Dunn, Third Base(Flex) - 6 - Maylee Strider, Short Stop - 7 - Maddie Strider, Left Field - 3 - Bristol Marine, Center Field - 4- Nauttica Parrish, Right Field - 8 - Ryleigh Hinline, DP - 9 - Chloe Eudy

Pronunciation Guide:

Eudy - "Uu-dey", Hinline "Hine-Line", Hulin "Hew-lin", Moran "Mo-ran"

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|-----------|-----|--------|
| 1      | Sara-Kate  | Marion    | 11  | RF     |
| 2      | Kami       | Dunn      | 12  | 2B     |
| 3      | Bristol    | Marine    | 10  | LF     |
| 4      | Nauttica   | Parrish   | 11  | CF     |
| 5      | Alyssa     | Harris    | 12  | P      |
| 6      | Maylee     | Strider   | 9   | P      |
| 7      | Maddie     | Strider   | 12  | SS     |
| 8      | Ryleigh    | Hinline   | 12  | UTIL   |
| 9      | Chloe      | Eudy      | 12  | P      |
| 10     | Skylar     | Ferree    | 10  | UTIL   |
| 11     | Chelsea    | Eudy      | 10  | UTIL   |
| 12     | Jada       | Freeland  | 9   | C      |
| 14     | Arianna    | Callicutt | 9   | UTIL   |
| 15     | Katelyn    | West      | 12  | P      |
| 16     | Kinlin     | Hulin     | 12  | OF     |
| 17     | Chloee     | Cagle     | 9   | UTIL   |
| 19     | Laci       | Moran     | 10  | UTIL   |
| 20     | Calli      | Harrelson | 9   | UTIL   |
| 22     | Lexi       | Owen      | 10  | C      |

Players to watch and college committments

Maddie Strider - Catawba, Kami Dunn - Wingate, Alyssa Harris - Pfeiffer, Katelyn West - Averett, Chloe Eudy - Greensboro College, Nauttica Parrish - Catawba, Players to Watch - Bristol Marine, Jada Freeland, Maylee Strider

Key stats, things to know

136 SB's as a team, middle infield has turned 10 double plays since spring break, .355 team batting average



# 4A East Champion: West Stanly Colts

Head Coach: Emily Smith  
 Assistant Coaches: Haily Jarman, Abbie Yarboro, Matt Little  
 Athletic Director: Chad Yow  
 Principal: Damon Rhodes  
 Athletic Trainer: Eugene Thomen  
 Record: 26-6 (12-0)  
 Expected Starters:  
 SS #4 Nevaeh Alexander  
 3B #18 Kennedy Austin  
 CF #5 Payton Watson  
 1B #23 Laney Tucker  
 RF #3 Saylor Edwards  
 C #7 Abby Hartsell  
 DP/P #33 Katie Broadaway  
 P/DP #2 Madison Kirkland  
 2B #14 Malia Whitley  
 Flex/LF #12 Addie Wheatley

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|-----------|-----|--------|
| 1      | Kollyn     | Huneycutt | 10  | OF     |
| 2      | Madison    | Kirkland  | 10  | RHP    |
| 3      | Saylor     | Edwards   | 12  | OF     |
| 4      | Nevaeh     | Alexander | 12  | INF    |
| 5      | Payton     | Watson    | 12  | OF     |
| 7      | Abby       | Hartsell  | 9   | C      |
| 9      | Kallie     | Barbee    | 9   | OF     |
| 11     | Jenna      | Brock     | 11  | 3B     |
| 12     | Addie      | Wheatley  | 9   | OF     |
| 14     | Malia      | Whitley   | 9   | INF    |
| 15     | Makayla    | Crayton   | 11  | 1B     |
| 17     | Reese      | Hager     | 11  | C      |
| 18     | Kennedy    | Austin    | 11  | SS     |
| 22     | Madi       | Whitley   | 11  | RHP    |
| 23     | Laney      | Tucker    | 10  | 1B     |
| 33     | Katie      | Broadaway | 11  | LHP    |

Pronunciation Guide:  
 Nuh-VAY-uh Alexander  
 Muh-LEE-uh Whitley

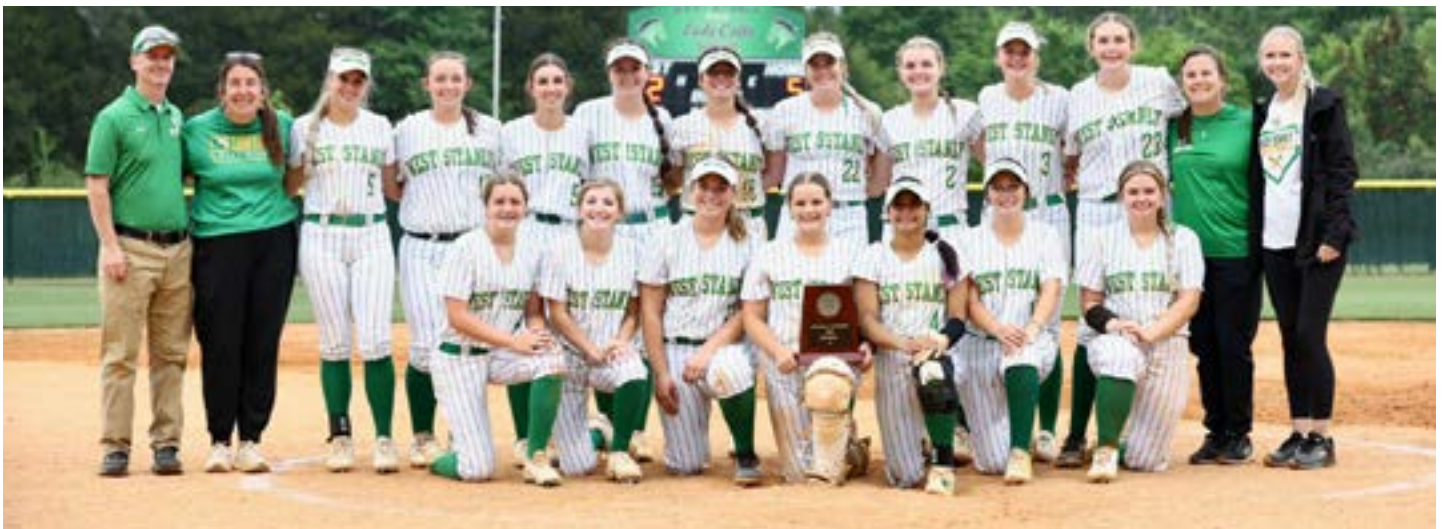
Players to watch and college commitments  
 Nevaeh Alexander - signed to play at USC Upstate

Key stats, things to know  
 Led by our 3 seniors: Nevaeh Alexander, Payton Watson and Saylor Edwards. Won the Rocky River Conference and had 7 All-Conference members. Nevaeh Alexander was Player of the year. Have relied on pitching staff - Madison Kirkland, Katie Broadaway and Madi Whitley. All 3 pitchers have done a tremendous job. Have dealt with several injuries over the season and players moving around/JV players having to step into roles mid year.

## Keys to success this season

Buying into roles throughout the season and working to become mentally stronger each and every game. Our team motto for the year is "Pursue Excellence Today." As a program, we want to pursue excellence in everything we do, even in the difficult moments. Another key to success is players stepping up and being ready when their name is called. We practice and prepare at a fast pace, so everyone on the roster is ready at any moment. A key to success any season is having great people in your program. Our assistant coaches - Matt Little, Haily Jarman and Abbie Yarboro are the best around!

Game 3 of the Western Regional Championship (really the entire series). As a coach, to see the joy on each player's face and the celebration. It was a tough week with juggling exams and graduation, but they did it all with excellence. We have been battle tested this season and it was amazing to see their hard work and trust in the process come together!



# 5A West Champion: Enka Jets

Head Coach: Todd Coggins

Assistant Coaches: Jeff Frady, Kirstie Pressley, Kyle Reagan, Katie West

Athletic Director: Brian Carver

Principal: Katie Harris

Trainer; Auburn Barrett

Managers: Kayleigh Hensley, Hannah Fish, Laney Frady

Record: 23-3 (10-0)

Expected Starters:

SS, #8, Averi Coggins (Wofford Committ)

CF, #10, Kerigan Phillips

DP, #6, Baylee Edney

P, #15, Savannah Frisbee

1B, #13, Reagan Stroupe

C, #12, Amy Rhymer

3B, #7, Haley Fish

2B, #11, Kelsie West

LF, #9, Etta Dezio

RF, #2, Amiya Wardlaw (Flex)

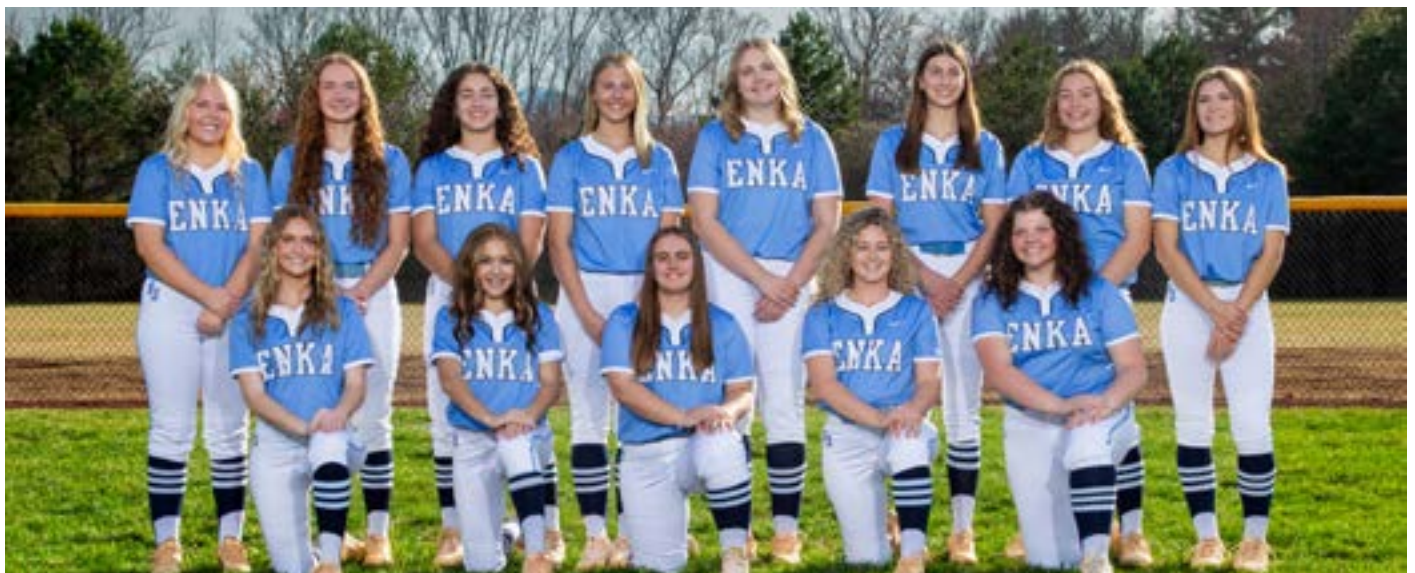
| Jersey | First Name | Last Name | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|-----------|-----|--------|
|        | Emma       | Fisher    | 9   | 1B     |
|        | Itzel      | Valle     | 9   | UTIL   |
| 1      | Cooper     | Stanley   | 12  | INF    |
| 2      | Amiya      | Wardlaw   | 10  | OF     |
| 3      | Tenley     | Franklin  | 9   | UTIL   |
| 4      | Ivana      | Lopez     | 9   | UTIL   |
| 5      | Gracie     | Ainsley   | 11  | OF     |
| 6      | Baylee     | Edney     | 9   | INF    |
| 7      | Haley      | Fish      | 11  | INF    |
| 8      | Averi      | Coggins   | 12  | INF    |
| 9      | Etta       | Dezio     | 11  | P      |
| 10     | Kerigan    | Phillips  | 11  | INF    |
| 11     | Kelsie     | West      | 12  | INF    |
| 12     | Amy        | Rhymer    | 12  | C      |
| 13     | Reagan     | Stroupe   | 11  | 1B     |
| 14     | Paisley    | Clemmons  | 9   | P      |
| 15     | Savannah   | Frisbee   | 10  | P      |
| 18     | Olivia     | Reese     | 10  | C      |
| 19     | Morgan     | Frady     | 10  | UTIL   |

Key stats, things to know

Athletic team, tremendous speed in the outfield, upper-classmen infield. Great in the specialty positions of pitcher/catcher. Good mix of speed and power in the batting lineup.

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season

4th Round Game against Crest, got down twice and had a huge 3 run Homerun to tie it late in the game, got out of a bases loaded jam in the top of the 7th and walked it off in the bottom of the 7th with a couple clutch hits to win it.



# 5A East Champion: West Carteret Patriots

Head Coach: Chris Margoupis  
Assistant Coaches: Justin Parrish, Ashley Caldwell,  
Makyiah Mitchell  
Athletic Director: Michael Turner  
Principal: Dr. Justin Holt  
Non-Player Bench Personnel: Michael Greenson  
Record: 22-4 (10-2)

Players to watch and college commitments  
Caitlin DuMarce and Ella Grace Rodriguez attending  
Louisburg College in the fall to play softball. In addition  
to those 2 impact players we also have Morgan Saw-  
yer, Addison Pavy, and Kaelyn Margoupis as players to  
watch.

## Pronunciation Guide

Chris Margoupis (MAR-goop-us)  
Kaelyn (KAY-LIN) Margoupis (MAR-goop-us)  
Kyrstyn (KIER (like Pier) Sten) Merrell (Mare-el)  
Caitlin Dumarce (Du (MARSE) (No E sound))  
Olivia Cuthrell (Que-thrul)

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season  
Winning the Eastern Region for the first time in school  
history!

| Jersey | First Name  | Last Name | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|-------------|-----------|-----|--------|
| 3      | Addison     | Pavy      | 11  | SS     |
| 4      | Kaelyn      | Margoupis | 11  | 3B     |
| 5      | Caitlin     | Dumarce   | 12  | P      |
| 7      | Kyrstyn     | Merrell   | 12  | 1B     |
| 8      | Millie Kate | Young     | 10  | DP     |
| 11     | Olivia      | Cuthrell  | 12  | OF     |
| 12     | Emma        | Jones     | 9   | OF     |
| 21     | Aubrey      | Forsythe  | 9   | 2B     |
| 22     | Aurora      | Goodyear  | 9   | C      |
| 24     | Isabella    | Turner    | 10  | OF     |
| 54     | Ella Grace  | Rodriguez | 12  | C      |
| 58     | Morgan      | Sawyer    | 10  | OF     |



# 6A West Champion: South Caldwell Spartans

Head Coach: Casey Justice

Assistant Coaches: Brett Parham, Daniel Church, Chris Cozort, Aaron Morris

Athletic Director: Ethan James

Principal: Dr. Jason Attig

ATC: Kyle Clontz and Nick Seller

Stats: Mike Parham

Record: 25-3 (8-2)

Expected Starters:

C, #4, Mcartney Harrington; P, #13, Maddy Moore; 1B, #12, Tempy Trivette; 2B, #7, McKenna Yount; SS, #19, Mallory Winebarger; 3B, #9, Bella Smith, LF, #10, Carlie Yount; CF, #21, Holland Weisner; RF, #1, Alyssa Clontz

Players to watch and college commitments

Mcartney Harrington-Clemson; Holland Weisner-UNC Charlotte; McKenna Yount-Lenoir Rhyne; Bella Smith-Francis Marion

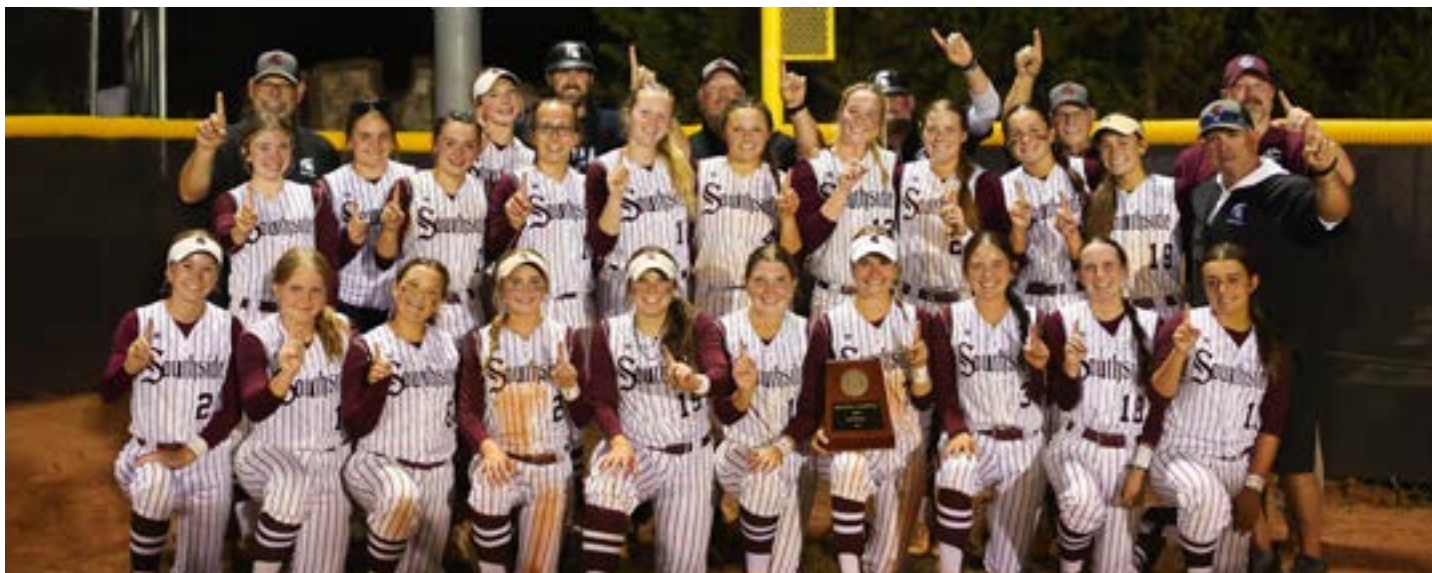
Key stats, things to know

Mcartney Harrington-.545 BA, 47 RBI's, 15 HR; Holland Weisner .527 BA, 48 RBI's 8 HR; McKenna Yount-.523 BA, 32 RBI's, 3HR;

Keys to success this season

Success at the plate, throwing strikes and playing good defense.

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name  | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|------------|-----|--------|
| 1      | Alyssa     | Clontz     | 12  | OF     |
| 2      | Alexis     | Whisnant   | 10  | OF     |
| 3      | Lily       | Williams   | 9   | OF     |
| 4      | Mcartney   | Harrington | 12  | C      |
| 6      | Zoey       | Johnson    | 9   | C      |
| 7      | McKenna    | Yount      | 11  | INF    |
| 8      | Liberty    | Smith      | 9   | P      |
| 9      | Bella      | Smith      | 11  | INF    |
| 10     | Carlie     | Yount      | 11  | OF     |
| 11     | Charlee    | Alvarado   | 9   | INF    |
| 12     | Tempy      | Trivette   | 11  | INF    |
| 13     | Maddy      | Moore      | 10  | P      |
| 14     | Lainee     | Webb       | 9   | OF     |
| 15     | Allison    | Burns      | 10  | C      |
| 16     | Isabella   | Schaefer   | 10  | P      |
| 17     | Madison    | Gragg      | 10  | OF     |
| 18     | Leah       | Rainey     | 9   | OF     |
| 19     | Mallory    | Winebarger | 11  | INF    |
| 20     | Lilly      | Richey     | 9   | INF    |
| 21     | Holland    | Weisner    | 11  | OF     |
| 22     | Ansleigh   | Watson     | 10  | INF    |



# 6A East Champion: Union Pines Vikings

Head Coach: Brian Blue

Assistant Coaches: Hannah Tyner, Mark Jessup

Shelby Alcorn

Athletic Director: Nate Harrington

Principal: Andy McCormick

Non-Player Bench Personnel: Cali Lambert, Ava Milk-kowich

Record 27-2 (14-0)

Expected Starters:

P - Kaitlyn Blue

C - Kileigh Cameron

1B - Emily Auman

2B - Caidence Crabtree

SS - Alaina Good

3B - Abbie Tyner

LF - Serena McCutchen

CF - Maddie Stein

RF - Allie Bauer

DP - Abby McKenzie

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|-----------|-----|--------|
| 1      | Payten     | Mergist   | 9   | OF     |
| 3      | Madison    | Stein     | 12  | CF     |
| 4      | Taylor     | Caddell   | 10  | 2B     |
| 5      | Serena     | McCutchen | 12  | LF     |
| 8      | Alaina     | Good      | 9   | SS     |
| 10     | Allie      | Bauer     | 12  | P      |
| 11     | Kaylee     | Wilder    | 11  | 2B     |
| 12     | Emily      | Auman     | 12  | 1B     |
| 13     | Gabby      | Coles     | 11  | OF     |
| 15     | Abbie      | Tyner     | 10  | 3B     |
| 19     | Abby       | McKenzie  | 11  | DP     |
| 23     | Avery      | Jessup    | 11  | DP     |
| 33     | Caidence   | Crabtree  | 10  | 2B     |
| 77     | Kileigh    | Cameron   | 12  | C      |
| 88     | Kaitlyn    | Blue      | 11  | P      |

Players to watch? College Commitments:

Kileigh Cameron (Carson Newman), Kaitlyn Blue (Coastal Georgia), Allie Bauer (Wake Tech), Serena McCutchen (Columbia International)

Key stats, things to know

We are a very hardworking team. We play with grit and determination!

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season

Walk off triple in the bottom of the 8th inning to win the East Regionals and advance to the State Championship for the 1st time in school history!



# 7A West Champion: Weddington Warriors

Head Coach: Claire Lyerly  
 Assistants: Steve Lamantia, Maddie Clinger, Lacey Darby  
 Athletic Director: Michael Hart  
 Principal: Kevin Beals  
 Managers: David Morgan, Callie Myrick  
 ATC: Huston Mattson  
 Record: 25-0 (10-0)

Expected Starters  
 Pitcher, 24, Joella Thomas  
 Catcher, 2, Ciara Blakney  
 1B, 4, Lane Arthur  
 2B, 15, Kaylee Kurk  
 SS, 22, Callie Hill  
 3B, 5, Lilly White  
 LF, 11, Maddie Diaz  
 CF, 12, Grayson Bopp  
 RF, 16, Reece Lindsay  
 DP, 8, Samantha Shipley

Pronunciation Guide:  
 2- Blake-Knee  
 22- Cal-Lee  
 6- Pre-sut-e

Players to watch and college commitments  
 Joella Thomas- Lenoir Rhyne, Ciara Blakney- Berry College, Grayson Bopp- Wofford College, Reece Lindsay- UNC Charlotte

Key stats, things to know  
 Joella Thomas currently sits at 799 career strikeouts after the regional championship series.

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|-----------|-----|--------|
| 2      | CIARA      | BLAKNEY   | 12  | C      |
| 3      | BRYNN      | MILLER    | 9   | OF     |
| 4      | LANE       | ARTHUR    | 12  | 1B     |
| 5      | LILLY      | WHITE     | 11  | 3B     |
| 6      | ELLASON    | PRESUTTY  | 10  | OF     |
| 7      | ELLA       | AUSTIN    | 12  | OF     |
| 8      | SAMANTHA   | SHIPLEY   | 11  | OF     |
| 9      | CHARLOTTE  | MOLITOR   | 10  | 2B     |
| 10     | BELLA      | SMITH     | 10  | C      |
| 11     | MADDIE     | DIAZ      | 10  | OF     |
| 12     | GRAYSON    | BOPP      | 11  | OF     |
| 14     | SIERRA     | MORRIS    | 11  | C      |
| 15     | KAYLEE     | KURK      | 9   | SS     |
| 16     | REECE      | LINDSAY   | 12  | OF     |
| 17     | NETTIE     | MILLER    | 10  | P      |
| 22     | CALLIE     | HILL      | 10  | SS     |
| 24     | JOELLA     | THOMAS    | 12  | P      |

Keys to success this season

The team had a goal this season, created a mindset and knew that they had a job to do each game.

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season

Each game created a new focus and the team welcomed each new game as a new challenge. The team took every game as their next biggest challenge.



# 7A East Champion: D.H. Conley Vikings

Head Coach: Wayne Deans

Assistants: Meredith Whitehead & Skylar Jones

Athletic Director: Shannon McLaughlin

Principal: T.J. Worrell

Athletic Trainer: Ryle Krapf

Record: 25-2 (10-0)

Expected Starters:

SS #5 Ava Gaddis

C #15 Lena Zurface

3B #25 Taylor Ulrich

CF #11 Taylor Getsinger

P #8 Kendall Howard

1B #30 Sarah Booth

2B #2 Harper Bradley

LF #7 Anna Rose

RF #12 Caitlin Mendell

DP #6 Brooke Rose

Pronunciation Guide:

Zurface (pronounced like surface, but with a Z)

Ulrich (emphasis on UL, more elongated)

Mendell (separation of Men and dell)

Getsinger (separation of Get and singer, the Get part is not pronounced like the word normally would be)

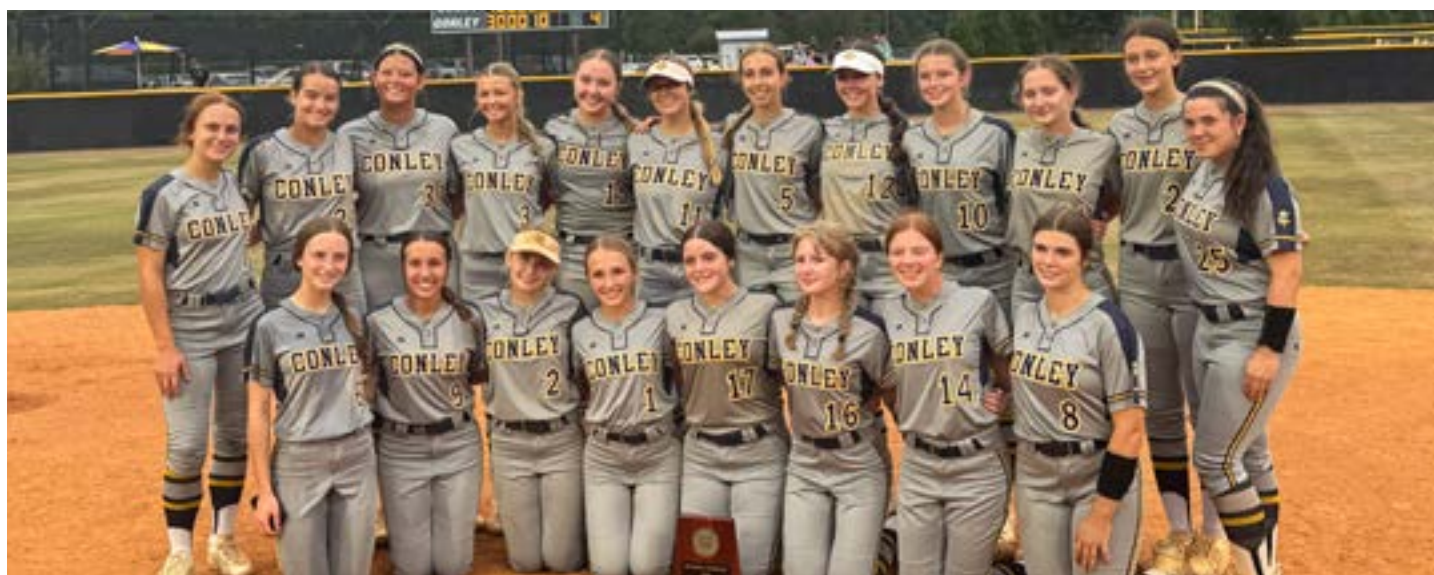
Players to watch and college committments

Lena Zurface (Pitt Community College), Taylor Ulrich

(Pitt Community College), Kendall Howard (verbal

commitment to UNC Wilmington)

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|-----------|-----|--------|
| 1      | Adriane    | Grace     | 9   | OF     |
| 2      | Harper     | Bradley   | 11  | INF    |
| 3      | Charlotte  | Corbett   | 10  | OF     |
| 5      | Ava        | Gaddis    | 12  | INF    |
| 6      | Brooke     | Rose      | 9   | INF    |
| 7      | Anna       | Rose      | 9   | OF     |
| 8      | Kendall    | Howard    | 11  | P      |
| 9      | Monica     | Jones     | 10  | OF     |
| 10     | Ryleigh    | Stocks    | 10  | INF    |
| 11     | Taylor     | Getsinger | 12  | OF     |
| 12     | Caitlin    | Mendell   | 10  | OF     |
| 14     | Madison    | Anderson  | 10  | INF    |
| 15     | Lena       | Zurface   | 12  | C      |
| 16     | Lily       | Howard    | 9   | OF     |
| 17     | Sophia     | Vincent   | 9   | INF    |
| 20     | Rayne      | Knittle   | 9   | C      |
| 21     | Casey      | Mendell   | 10  | C      |
| 23     | Reagan     | Stocks    | 10  | OF     |
| 25     | Taylor     | Ulrich    | 12  | 3B     |
| 30     | Sarah      | Booth     | 11  | INF    |



# 8A West Champion: Providence Panthers

Head Coach: Micah Kinnaird

Assistants: Chang Zeng and Kelsey Powers

Athletic Director: Tom Jamerson

Principal: Christopher Myers

Record: 28-2 (9-1)

Expected Starters: CF-Phoenix Scott-#7, LF-Ella

Lamprey-#16, Catcher-Olivia Wakem-#11, SS Cam

O'Connor-#17, P-Sophie Strugar-#15, 1B-Casey Toml-

janovic-#20, RF Riley Wisecarver-#5, 3B-Mia Zeng-#8,

2B-Matty Amisano-#44

Players to watch and college commitments

Olivia Wakem-USC Upstate, Sophie Strugar, Phoenix

Scott, and Cam O'Connor

Key stats, things to know

56 Homeruns this team has hit this year and broke a old record for most homeruns hit in a year which was 55

Keys to success this season

Strong pitching by our pitching staff and when our bats are hot, watchout

Most galvanizing game/moment of the season

Winning game 3 of the Regionals

| Jersey | First Name      | Last Name   | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|-----------------|-------------|-----|--------|
| 1      | Katherine       | Joiner      | 11  | CF     |
| 2      | Cailin          | Compton     | 9   | P      |
| 3      | Callie          | Gavin       | 11  | RF     |
| 5      | Riley           | Wisecarver  | 12  | RF     |
| 6      | Addison         | Miles       | 10  | 2B     |
| 7      | Phoenix         | Scott       | 10  | CF     |
| 8      | Emelia          | Zeng        | 11  | 3B     |
| 9      | Brooke          | Hollywood   | 9   | P      |
| 10     | Zo <sup>v</sup> | Thurston    | 11  | 1B     |
| 11     | Olivia          | Wakem       | 11  | C      |
| 12     | Averie          | Jones       | 11  | P      |
| 14     | Annie           | Steinecker  | 12  | 2B     |
| 15     | Sophie          | Strugar     | 10  | P      |
| 16     | Ella            | Lamprey     | 10  | LF     |
| 17     | Camryn          | O'Connor    | 10  | SS     |
| 20     | Casey           | Tomljonavic | 12  | 1B     |
| 22     | Delainey        | Smith       | 10  | C      |
| 44     | Mattingly       | Amisano     | 10  | P      |



# 8A East Champion: Corinth Holders Pirates

Head Coach: Dawson Tippet  
 Assistants: John Allen, Lanc Brown  
 Athletic Director: Adam Weaver  
 Principal: Melissa Hurst  
 Trainer: Stephen Atstupenas  
 Scorekeeper: Peggy Tippet  
 Manager: Ava Young  
 Record: 25-1 (14-0)

## Expected Starters

- #9 Ava Marks, SS
- #3 Savannah Goddard, LF
- #11 Lauren Sizemore, DP
- #24 Fiona Stephenson 1B
- #5 Blakely Sellers, 3B
- #8 Kendyl Bledsoe, RF
- #7 Morgan Reason, 2B
- #15 Izzy West, P
- #14 Gracie Giron, C

## Pronunciation Guide:

Giron: Grrrr, Ron

- Ava Marks, Memphis signee, state leader in hits, 67 on season (2 away from tying NCHSAA Record, 3 from breaking)
- Izzy West P: Sophomore, 1st year in with immediate impact on Varsity
- Eli McKenzie P: SR with career best year on mound and in batter box
- Fiona Stephenson (FR): clean-up hitter, immediate impact FR;
- Kendyl Bledsoe: Sophomore, 1st year on Varsity
- Lauren Sizemore (returning from injury)
- team records: shattered every individuals and team record this season. First conference championship in program his-

| Jersey | First Name | Last Name  | Yr. | Pos. 1 |
|--------|------------|------------|-----|--------|
| 1      | Mae        | Shearin    | 11  | OF     |
| 2      | Austin     | Estell     | 11  | OF     |
| 3      | Savannah   | Goddard    | 11  | OF     |
| 4      | Brynna     | Wooten     | 11  | INF    |
| 5      | Blakely    | Sellers    | 10  | UTIL   |
| 6      | Eli        | McKenzie   | 12  | P      |
| 7      | Morgan     | Reason     | 12  | UTIL   |
| 8      | Kendyl     | Bledsoe    | 10  | UTIL   |
| 9      | Ava        | Marks      | 12  | INF    |
| 10     | Ashley     | Stone      | 11  | OF     |
| 11     | Lauren     | Sizemore   | 12  | 1B     |
| 12     | Grace      | Pope       | 10  | UTIL   |
| 14     | Gracie     | Giron      | 11  | C      |
| 15     | Izzy       | West       | 10  | P      |
| 17     | Paityn     | Keleman    | 10  | P      |
| 21     | Kayla      | Jones      | 9   | P      |
| 24     | Fiona      | Stephenson | 9   | UTIL   |
| 27     | Caroline   | Rerode     | 10  | C      |

tory. Previous team record for wins in season, 16. 25 this season.

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## Keys to success this season

- grit, belief, Coachability
- 2 strong arms on the mound, improved defense over the season, and simple approach at the plate

## Most galvanizing game/moment of the season

-Down 11-1 in the 4th inning vs Laney. Never gave up, never put their heads down, believed they were going to come back and win. Won 12-11.



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